1853	April 15, 1853, first patent to ground on which the city now stands was issued & signed by President Franklin Pierce.
1855	Isaac Walton worked for David Crum, for $5 per month, and thought he was getting rich.
1856	John Kring landed on ground where Fairbury is located - made the trip in a covered wagon drawn by oxen - with parents
1856	The land north of Fairbury was mostly marsh & sold from 80 cents to $1.25 per acre
1857	Village of Fairbury laid out by Caleb L. Patton and Octave Chenute - there are 2 spellings for Chanute. found in the old history books as Chenute
1857	First house built by John Coomer, just across the street from Thomas House (on the corner east of where the Fairbury House was)
1857	Roman Catholic organized
1858	First store house built by AL Pogue, Dave Thomas and RB Amsbury
1858	1st business house opened by William Mitchell
1858	Methodist Church organized
1858	post office established
1858	Presbyterian society organized.
1858	Baptist organized
1858	Mr & Mrs Phil Fisher married live in Indian Grove Township
1859	large flouring-mill built it burned in 1872
1859	Patton, Cropsey and Chenute addition
1860	Census 269
1860	first house built for school purposes, situated on north side of the railroad - first teach Smith Olney
1860	Livingston Lodge, No. 290, Independent Order of Odd Fellows chartered
1860	Tarbolton Lodge, No.351, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons - was chartered - their rented building burned 1875
1861	Co. K, Third Illinois Volunteer Cavalry pitched tents on the Botsford property -composed 84 local men - served for 3 years.
1862	H L Marsh commenced to sink west coal shaft
1862	Work on new Presbyterian church
1862	Indian Grove township population of less than 280, much of the county was nothing but swamp land.
1864	Fairbury incorporated as town August 8, 1864
1864	C. L Patton addition
1864	first bank established by Judge McDowell and Nathan E Lyman known as Fairbury Bank
1864	First brick store house built by Franklin Elliott
1865	Atkins addition
1865	McDowell addition
1865	Work on new Baptist Church
1865	Livingston Square was named and new buildings in Arcade Block (Fairbury Marble Works included) around 1865
1866	Marsh build Livingston Hotel in "Central Park" used as depot & waiting room cost $17,000 -had running water
1866	Ben Walton built his first mill burned in 1868
1866	Fairbury Chapter, No. 99, Royal Arch Masons chartered
1866	George W. Krings manufactures cultivators
1866	H S Decker commenced publication of paper called Journal until 1873

1867	commenced to sink east coal shaft
1867	Fairbury Encampment, No 71, I O O F chartered
1867	Jn. J. Taylor became partner Fairbury Bank developed into First National Bank
1867	woolen-mill built by three brothers from New York named Barnard
1868	Fairbury Council, No. 36, Royal and Select Masters chartered
1868	South Side School House
1868	Work on new Roman Catholic
1868	big fire started by train sparks - 18 stores burned
1869	big fire started corner 4th & Locust - 10 buildings burned - sounds like arson
1869	2 fire s simultaneously - one on west end McDonald's Wagon Shop & one on east end Elliott's Jewelry
1869	big fire Elliott's Jewelry - 4 brick buildings burned
1870	Census 1493
1870	St. Paul Commander, No. 36 Knight Templars chartered
1870	Surber addition
1870	Beach & Dominy - hardware business
1870	Fire Amsbury & Jones elevator & Jones Hall, & Burch & Havermale's Drug, RF Keff's Grocery, JT Jones's Restaurant
1870	Fairbury Opera House (Fairbury Hall) built
1871	fire - east end business district almost burned out-someone poured kerosene over benches & chairs in McDowell Hall
1871	fire -Wilson Grist Mill burned, owned by HM Gillett, leased by Amsbury & Jones
1871	fire Livingston Hotel burnt between 1871 & 1880
1871	Dimmicks commenced publication of paper called Independent
1872	Barber shops closing on Sunday and at 8 during the week
1874	Beach & Dominy - Fairbury Bank
1875	12 passenger and numerous freight trains everyday
1876	C B Holmes commenced publication of paper called Blade
1876	Dr. Brewer came to Fairbury, office over Walton's store twice burned out in their fires.
1876	Fairbury Union Agricultural Board was incorporated - John Virgin 1st president
1876	Work on new Methodist church - tornado destroyed in 1877 & church rebuilt in 1878
1876	John Scibird, new editor of the Fairbury Blade, moved to town
1878	Walton's - Introduced 5 & 10 cent counter + delivery of their goods
1878	drain tile factory built by R C Straight
1878	had 17 doctors
1879	Fairbury House later know as Thomas House - S.W. corner of Fourth & Walnut (Paducah Ave) (used as depot #3)
1879	telephones connect Dr Barnes & Hudgin office and Zimmerman drug store
1879	Seventh Dave Adventist Camp Meeting
1880	Census 2140
1880	7 saloons on main street

1880	Primitive telephone connects Walton's Mill & Depot
1880	Fire South Side School - wagon load of burning hay backed into school
1880	Name of Central House changed to Commercial House
1880	Fire in Commercial House - lost every building in block except Ramsey & Franzen Drug store
1880	Chris Keck Barber Shop under Beach's Bank
1880	Fairbury Wards. Third & RR is dividing lines
1880	James McDowell died
1880	"The Syndicate" new dry goods & cloak establishment - at old Mundt stand opposite Von Tobel's lumber office
1881	Blade notation about young people who frequent the fairgrounds at 11:00 at night - did they have parents?
1881	Walton's brought Remington Corner, Locust & 3rd & will rebuild
1881	Presbyterian to build new church - committee: TA Beach, Henry Kingman, TD George, Mr Blaine & George Decker
1881	Walton Bros will begin work on their hotel building soon
1881	New School house is finished. Contract price $12296, accommodates 400 scholars
1881	Hollenback & Clemens opened pop factory - forty cases a day
1881	George Franzen purchased De Wolf's Drug Store
1881	large amphitheater at fair grounds was on fire & burned to ground. - John Baird & Harry Streeper were playing with firecrackers - loss about $800
1881	Graduates 1881 Ella Wade, Ora Phillips & Madel Rogers Couch
1882	Old platform in front of Fairbury House removed
1882	Roller skating rink at McDowell Hall
1882	Presbyterian church dedicated
1882	Two tough looking cusses claiming to be the James brothers came into the Blade office
1882	Ground broke for new hotel to be erected by George Archer. It will be larger than the Phoenix hotel in Pontiac
1883	Edison School
1883	Dr. George Lewis & Ella Beach (daughter of TA Beach) wed
1884	Walton's store burned (loss $125,000)- started in grist mills and crossed the street - 22 firms destroyed total over $200000
1884	Public telephone station in this city was moved from Zimmerman's Drug store to Dr. Rayburn's office
1884	John Sorg bought Faulkner business room now occupied by CB Thompson's music store
1885	three lights put up on Main St to test usefulness
1885	greatest blizzards since 1866, 7 days no trains
1885	John L Marsh died he was founder of Fairbury, sunk the pioneer coal mine in open prairie in the state
1885	The roller skating craze is declining.
1885	Fire at O'Malley's & McKiernan's saloons.
1885	3rd Annual graduating exercises of High School were held in Dubois Opera House 2 grads Ida Hallock & Ollie Filley
1885	Hirsch Bros of Chicago rented the O'Malley building & will open a stock of clothing and furnishings goods.
1885	Sells Brothers Circus
1885	TP&W depot is to enlarge and be painted
1886	Voters question of better fire protection. Elevated tank 2000 barrels of water from Walton's mill to opera house corner

1886	new well for fire protection
1886	PC James & Ollie Filley wed
1887	Straight's Tile Factory burned February 4, 1887
1887	Waterworks system will be completed by June
1887	Fence enclosing the big well on Livingston Square was removed & well covered over
1887	Ground broken for Powley & Henderson's new brick building corner Locust & 2nd - it will be 25 x 75
1887	TSO McDowell building 2 story brick at Locust & 3rd, First National Bank in front, PO in back, Blade 2nd floor
1887	Fairbury Gun Club organized
1887	9 barbers in town & 15 painters
1887	Levi J Odell has invented new typewriting machine & has left the Moline Plow Company
1887	new build Beach, Dominy & Harry Bartlett -2 iron columns in place weigh 15900 lbs. supplied by LW Kring, Fairbury foundry
1887	Amos Brown was appointed night policeman
1887	Walton's Bros alterations to store. Front room on corner vacated by bank taken out, columns smaller, new windows
1887	John Decker sold lumber yard to Jacob Van Tobel
1887	Will Langabeer started subscription paper last Saturday. Raised $13 to purchase flag for top of water tower
1887	Walton Bros. finish the improvement, clothing store now fronting on corner of Locust & 3rd
1887	Fairbury public schools enrollment of 482
1887	CW Deputy moved to area
1887	Wade, Cooley & Carrithers leased ground with dirt from old east coal shaft - will convert into toboggan slide
1887	Toboggan slide: elevation is 40", the slide will extend 400", slide boarded & flooded with warming room for customers
1887	businesses agree to close their businesses on Thanksgiving day from 10 am to 1 pm
1887	Phil Wade family moved to home east of Presbyterian church
1887	Lafe Kring shipped 20 tons of sled runners from his foundry to Kimbark & Co., Chicago
1887	A shooting gallery occupies the basement under Greenbaum's clothing palace
1887	0P McDowell sold AB Claudon 480 acres of land in Avoca Township for $19,500 about $40 per acre.
1887	CL Perlee bought produce business from G.R. Farr
1887	Fairbury Federal founded
1888	as early as 1888 electric light powered by a home dynamo
1888	Liquor License cost $600 plus $3000 bond
1888	old bandstand that has been standing on its head for several months near depot was knocked down & carted away
1888	Baptist building new church to cost $5000
1888	Fine residence being erect by TA Beach on Hickory Street.
1888	The Arcade Block is looming up, new restaurant opened by Mrs. ZE Deitz & meat market by C Deitz
1888	It is the style now to chew gum. People should know enough to keep in style
1888	DF Smith filled orders for 40 bouquets for the ball.
1888	Dr Lewis moved into his new house opposite the TA Beach house.
1888	IA Sheed of Pana to open up lumber yard at the former John Decker location west of Walton's elevator

1888	Conrad Munz moved from Forrest to Brewer farm, south of Fairbury - a recent purchase
1888	TP&W bridge builders putting in a new bridge across Indian Creek just east of town
1888	Elegant residence just across the street south from fine home of TA Beach to be occupied by Dr & Mrs. GC Lewis
1888	The AB Claudon residence is to be added to the number heated by furnaces in this city
1888	Charles Merit moved to home at corner of 2nd & Maple
1888	Local Record founded. Consists of a double sheet, issued every Friday by CE Carter Printing Co.
1888	John Kring doing a lively business at his sorghum mill, half a mile north of town - has made 2,200 gallons of sorghum
1888	TA Beach home will be soon be occupied by Dr. GC Lewis family
1888	Football has been introduced among the boys young & old "kickers" are plentiful - Rayburn & Murdock lead the van
1888	DL Murdock sold law business, library & insurance agency to EW Wilson
1888	Rev. DL Temple helps introduce lawn tennis
1888	Weekly shipment of collars & cuffs to Danville laundry by Wade Bros. weighted 50 pounds
1888	Schrenck has new milk shaker - making it the third in town & Logan Lough has new peanut roaster
1888	7 graduates this year - Commencement- Carri Karnes, Grace Sharpe, Ida Mahoney, Stella Straight, Anna Morgan, Hattie Hanna, Alta Sype
1888	Work has commenced on Virgin & Co's new barn, just north of Walton's store
1888	More that 30 miles of board sidewalks in Fairbury
1888	Corn on the decline this week 60 to 50 cents
1888	electric light plant has been moved to the old coal shaft.
1888	Lawn Tennis popular
1888	Belmont & Thomas circus will arrive & pitch tents on the lot east of the depot. Admission 10 & 20 cents
1888	boys have been violating the law by engaging in baseball on Sunday. The grand juror of this township to investigate
1888	Old Gorback grain building on 5th St, formerly used as furniture store, an old landmark, was torn down
1888	Pres. Dominy, representing the town, was in Peoria & secured 60 X 80 ft. of railroad ground, corner of Locust & 3rd
1888	new camp of Modern Woodmen was organized at Chatsworth last week
1888	Frank Kuell shipped 48 head of horses to Chicago within the past month
1888	JA Higbee will soon open a boot and shoe store in the east end
1888	John Virgin's new horse barn is almost complete
1888	Fair receipts probably exceed $6000
1888	nutting parties have been quite numerous - hazelnuts are plentiful.
1888	Walton Bros has 17 employees
1888	The Archer property, south of the Baptist church sold to MA Bentley for $600
1888	The Prohibition pole that stood near depot since 1884 is down. It fell.
1888	Archer House - Oly Spence resigned as clerk
1988	Pfaat & Slaughter, the butchers, are erecting an ice house on the banks of the creek near their slaughter house
1889	Ordinance passed for issuing bonds - $4000 - for wooden water tower
1889	Ringling Bros. Circus performed
1889	TPW Railroad brought dirt to Central Park - new water fountain would follow

1889	Livingston Hotel burned it was before 1890
1889	Weddings: Until 1889 the Blade not only published a list of the guests, but also their gifts
1889	Fairbury goes dry for the first time in 13 years
1889	Scarlet fever epidemic closed schools
1889	Arcade Block is gradually sinking due to the settling of the mine. Water tower settling also.
1889	Charlie Perlee bought Phil Wade's house
1889	Percy Streeper moved his bicycle hospital & repair shop across railroad to the next door south of the foundry
1889	A long distance telephone booth put in Payne Bros. by the Bell Telephone company
1889	Eppards Point & Yates township telephone lines completed in 30 farmers homes - they can phone Fairbury or Weston
1889	new gasoline lamps for lighting the city to arrive, will cost the city about $300 more than old ones.
1889	There will be music in the high school - A new piano was received from Peoria
1889	schools have been closed 2 weeks on account of the scarlet fever epidemic
1889	Walton Bros. Creamery is turning out 100 lbs. of butter daily- they turned out 3000 lbs. a day last summer.
1889	Ice formed in still water early May 1889
1889	sharp stroke of lighting ran into the telegraph office on the wire and set fire to the switch board
1889	A fee of 25 cents charged for admission to commencement exercises in Forrest-Fairbury visitors surprised
1889	John Virgin is piping the city water into his house.
1889	JN Hieronymus was exhibiting a patent grain shocker of his own invention.
1889	school census boy & girls under 21 1095
1889	ground in vicinity of Arcade block has been sinking, caused by the squeezing going on in the coal mine below
1889	Ringling Bros. & Van Ambagh's united monstrous circus will exhibit here.
1889	School notes - Total enrollment to date 525 pupils
1889	John Milne of Chicago purchased Remington place on N Fifth St
1889	Dr. Fraley suggests mud pile scraped into middle of Main St stand until it freezes & slide it over to Livingston Square
????	27 graduates 21 girls 6 boys
1890	Census 2324
1890	Fairbury incorporated as village February 3, 1890
1890	Doctor Sam Barnes became mayor
1890	Grant McDowell & Jennie Dominy wed
1890	Bitter fight between the east and west ends.
1890	McDowells razed their building on Livingston Square and built on Main Street
1890	City fire bell, 15 years old, has cracked, will have to have a new one.
1890	Electricity came into general use in homes, gas lights & ornate kerosene reading lamps made obsolete overnight
1890	Freight House fire
1890	sewer pipe laid in old ditches to drain the town
1890	Bicycle Club formed
1890	young people are skating on the ice about the old dam south of the Fair Grounds

1890	Gottlieb Steidinger bough JB Friatt's Blacksmith shop for $800
1890	Chesebro & Somers are building a blacksmith shop in the east end, opposite the elevator
1890	"Mr. Bender" has been here several weeks "buying horses" is a Pinkerton detective checking illegal sale of liquor
1890	John Henry circulating a petition calling for the question of incorporating the town under a city charter
1890	GW Ziller's barber ship located in Syndicate building. Great improvement over old one & a bath room was added
1890	Messrs. Virgin & Co. had death of famous $12000 draft horse
1890	beer flowed freely on west end of Arcade Block Fairbury went "license", 475 votes being polled & license winning by 51
1890	Joe Richer making round to extinguish street lamps was assailed by midnight prowlers
1890	George Decker signed with Davenport baseball club
1890	Charles Maunder bookkeeper at Perlee general store - accept position in a back at Montreal, Canada
1890	C. Iron packed & shipped his jewelry stock to Louisville, KY, closing out his business
1890	Exercise of 7th annual commence of Fairbury high school, take place in Dubois opera house
1890	new saloon in the east end in the little frame building formerly occupied by Ziller's barber shop
1890	LJ Lough placed in his news depot a soda water fountain dispensing all flavors of this healthful & refreshing drink
1890	Police Magistrate Zimmerman moved into new quarters in new city hall
1890	John Kring getting sorghum mill ready to make molasses
1890	Donoho building, west of National bank torn down & brick & lumber moved in for use in new building.
1890	HA Foster to make a map for use in laying the electric light plant
1890	Addie Yoe opened his saloon in the west end - dubbed the resort "The Last Chance"
1890	Rich & Down's Circus will show here
1890	EE McIntosh, Jeweler has rented the store room in New Sherman House block -next door east of the hotel office
1890	ED Powell counted 196 team on Main St at one time - between 1st & 5th
1890	Harrington Bros. Patrick & Dan have leased room in Masonic building will open grocery store - that makes 9 in Fairbury
1890	new hitching rack at ME church parking lot
1890	GY McDowell bought fine driving animal from Indiana - it is quartered at Veatch Bros. barn
1890	Mrs. E Braun purchased residence now occupied by Charles Bradley, south of the Fairbury house - $1200
1891	TP&W officials staked off the ground for the new depot which will be built just east of the old
1891	Bonanza corn planter sold by Swing and Steidinger
1891	Fight on the saloon license question promises to be exciting
1891	horses for sale at PC James residence - 4 blocks north of the post office (Locust & 3rd)
1891	Alex Milne bought out DF Smith greenhouse
1891	GY McDowell moved into his new house - PC James will occupy the house vacated by McDowell
1891	new platform being built at the depot
1891	city fathers purchased bricks for walks
1891	stores to close at 7:30 instead of 8
1891	Fairbury to have a new and commodious freight depot
1891	Fairbury had an earthquake, dishes rattle in cupboards

1891 Fairbury Opera House Co formed, Pres Dr SM Barnes, VP WC Wade, Sec TE DuBois, Treasurer LB Dominy, Mgr. Philip Wade
1891 water problem in Fairbury
1891 John Coomer, first actual settler died, he was first postmaster of Fairbury
1891 company owning gasoline lamp plant took out lamps - city in total darkness
1891 Fred Wright having 2nd floor of brick building fitted up for lodge room for St Bernard Lodge, Knights of Pythias
1891 Francis Bros. purchased a new mill for their tile & brick factory
1891 Wm Schenck disposed of bakery business & building to Mr. Will R. Bane
1891 Corner store under opera house being refitted for Charles Bradley -new stock of clothing- front replaced with modern glass
1891 Walton Bros. have purchase an elegant $1500 funeral car
1891 meeting of citizens was held at village hall - to discuss a better water supply for Fairbury
1891 George Dexter has made 1500 gallons of cider so far this season - grinder run by steam & has three powerful presses
1891 village trustee to consider building town hall, calaboose, engine house, with big cistern underneath
1891 John Conerus of Aurora make arrangements for starting a cigar factory
1891 LF Straight contacted to burnish brick for Walton Bros. Brick will be made & burned near Donoho farm - SW of town
1891 National bank secured a corner room in Walton Bros new building - corner of Third & Locust Streets
1891 TD Karnes replaced by George Clough (son of the gunsmith) new deputy at post office
1891 8 grad - Misses Alta Virgin, Emma Langabeer, Lela Stafford, Ora Anderson, Lilly Robinson, Maude Joy, Louis Gillette & Thomas Morris
1891 Steaks 12 1/2 cents - Roast 10 cents - boils 8 cents
1891 Cook Bros (furniture bus) occupy 2nd floor of building (room known as George Hall) connected with lower floor with elevator put in by Fran VanDoorn
1891 merchants to close at 8 o'clock except Saturday evening.
1891 work on new school house progressing rapidly
1891 Ben Walton purchased machinery of the planning mill & sash factory
1891 Ben Walton also purchased Presbyterian church building-to be moved south of Mr. Walton's mill & be fitted up for carpenter shop & planning mill
1891 school board employed Principal Prof. Grafton $95 per month - men teachers $40 & lady teachers $35 teachers were:
1891 teachers John D Welmas, Clarence R Virgin, Miss Lizzie Stilwell, Miss Helen Vanover, Miss Florence Potter & Miss Ellen Gregg
1891 GH Farr bought 100 feet of ground on Livingston Square - just west of Lewis Werling & will erect a residence
1891 Gollmar Bros. "Great United Shows and Trained Animal Exposition" will exhibit in June
1891 Cherry Crops are ripe and being picked - Alex Milne is shipping his cherries to Chicago already shipped 250 bushels
1891 New school house on south side was finished
1891 Member of Christian church purchased old Presbyterian & will move to corner of Walnut & 1st St.
1891 store room vacated by Henderson & Spence is being fitted up for Walton Bros. furniture department
1891 E.O. Rogers circus will exhibit in Fairbury
1891 death of John Commer, 1st actual settler of Fby, built 1st dwelling erected in village (corner east of where the Fby House stands) was 1st postmaster
1891 Patrons of city are cut off from water supply. Water in well is low - not more than an hour's supply in the well & tank
1891 J McMurry & Co , new photographers, located in building adjoining Sutton & Slaughter's grocery
1891 Kring Bros have erected a new aerometer windmill purchased of Walton Bros for the purpose of pumping water for their gardens.
1891 Ben Epstein has opened billiard hall on the ground floor of the Fawkner building, next door west of Cook Bros. furniture store

1891 Frank Streeper is conductor of new popcorn shop erected at the depot by JA Reckard
1891 new hitching post put up along the block from Claudon's bank east to Bradley's corner - an improvement to tying horse to awning posts
1891 Dwyer brothers have bought the Smith saloon in Fairbury
1891 E Dirks bought Henry Hilton's farm 1 mile north of town - paying $100 per acre
1891 GY McDowell moved into his new house this week. PC James & family will move in the place vacated by the former
1891 TPW officials staked of ground for the new depot, which will be built just east of old one. It will be made of brick
1891 workmen tearing up old Paducah track between the junction & east shaft.
1892 Fairbury City Hall was constructed at 101 E Locust
1892 New Sherman House Changed hands, Charlie Archer retiring, Geo. Archer role of landlord
1892 experimental brick walk laid on a coal slack bed
1892 JE Lewis purchased home at First & Elm, purchased from RC Straight
1892 Harry Bartlett has bought Charles Bradley's $5000 diamond
1892 WH Chapman for the Episcopal church has purchase Charles Sims lot on corner Ash & Fifth
1892 contractors who are to bore city's artesian well are expected to arrive any day with their machinery
1892 Patton Bros. from Indiana purchase 4 west room in Arcade block, near electric light plant & will open a poultry & egg business
1892 HC Plimpton now owner of bankrupt dry good purchasing the stock of Charles Bradley at the sheriff's sale.
1892 Foster & Co put in arc lamp at depot, midway between the depot & railroad restaurant
1892 Jan. - ice houses are being filled with ice, which is 6 to 8 inches thick.
1892 CW Keck building new house near south side school
1892 JA Lawrence sold carpenter business to JK Shook & George Keyes
1892 Dr. Bartlett purchased William Blain farm - 40 acres for Dr. John Beach. Price - $65 an acre
1892 Wade & Mahoney livery firm formed.
1892 Uncle Tom's Cabin billed for opera house
1892 2 carloads of material, engine, boiler, to be used by Miller & Co, contactors in boring the artesian well for the village
1892 GB Brownson was in Chicago in connection with the building of the new Episcopal church
1892 Beach & Bowers' famous minstrels were greeted with 175 audience at opera house
1892 new brass band organized, EH Winney is band-master
1892 Kring Bros erected a water tower at their nursery - has a capacity sufficient to water almost their entire gardens & hotbeds
1892 surveyors & engineers working with electric railway between St. Louis & Chicago reached a point less than 1 mile west & 1 1/2 mile south of Fairbury
1892 Sand in demand - black stuff from bed of Indian Creek sells for $1 per ton
1892 Messrs. Beach Bros. moved their livery & feed business to Virgin's fine barn which is lit with incandescent electric lamps
1892 work on artesian well goes day & night - it is down 206 feet.
1892 Messrs. Patton Bros. are demolishing the west end of the Arcade Block - will build a large frame building for their produce business
1892 Artesian well reached depth of 930 feet
1892 John Zimmerman purchase the Fraley property in the east end this week, paying $1,500 for it
1892 board of education went over the north side of school bldg - decide it would take about $800 to put it in shape- in opinion a new bldg should be built
1892 Town hall was wired this week and the electric light in the building will be kept burning in the building all night.

1892	the Street & Alley Committee is having a new board sidewalk put down in front of the Arcade block in the west end
1892	Public well read 1512 feet
1892	LJ Pfaat new residence - just east of Methodist church
1892	The saloon known as The Exchange closed
1892	Well 1630 feet ddp and working in lime rock with little prospect of flowing water
1892	The corner stone of St. Mathias church now building at corner of 5th & Ash St. A copper box containing history was imbedded in the stone.
1892	Frank James, brother of late Jesse James, has again been secured by fair management to start the races
1892	city will reached a depth of 2000 feet - a fine vein of water obtained.
1892	Frank Duell sold a half of his interest in his livery stable to S. Coen.
1892	WJ Hillyer has purchased the barber shop & bath rooms of Howard DeHart
1892	Jasper Wells sold his residence property on East Elm street to Mr. Bolliger
1892	Policemen Fitzgerald and Bailey - Officer WH Karmes
1892	Walton Bros. sold 200 chair to seat the new hall at Weston
1892	NB Claudon moved into their elegant residence just completed at the corner of Fourth & Elm Streets
1892	At meeting of board of trustees, ordinances were adopted for the borrowing of $15000 to extend the water mains
1892	dedication of St. Matthias. Pastor Rev. E. W. Averill
1892	John A & Gottlieb Stoller purchase hardware business of Swing & Steidinger
1892	The New Sherman House changed hands again this week, Charles Archer retiring and George Archer again assuming charge
1892	The Fairbury relief committee was organized for relief of the poor - Pres. Mrs. Dominy; VP Mrs. O'Brien, Sec Ella Langabeer, Treas Mrs. Robinson
1892	Andrew Brown has opened a shooting gallery in the basement under Herzberg's clothing store
1892	Firm of Wade Bros, Druggists has dissolved partnership, WC Wade retiring & Phil Wade became sole proprietor
1892	CW Neitz has let the contract for a commodious residence to be erected near the north side school house.
1893	Churchill-McDowell wed
1893	Powell-Dominy wed
1893	Fairbury House is now known as Thomas House
1893	Dr Sam Barnes' Office over Wades' Drug Store
1893	German Apostolic Church finished-1st floor dining room, Kitchen, pantry, school room, second floor church room- on Paducah Ave between 4th & 5th
1893	Lorgan Kring & Manie Gregg wed
1893	A B Claudon bank is open for business located on corner of Fourth & Locust St.
1893	WR Banes to build house on lots west of LB Dominy home. Contact is let to WG Myers of Dwight
1893	Quite a number of young folks from this city attended a spelling match at Frog Pond school
1893	fire in The Blade office - in Logan Lough's depot on the first floor of the First National Bank building.
1893	Presbyterian church contemplate the erection of parsonage expected to cost $2000
1893	Charity Home Rebekah Lodge will be instituted at I.O.O.F. hall. 36 charter members
1893	John Virgin has been appointed by the World's Fair commission as custodian of the Illinois building
1893	Sal Allan purchase this week of Rev. CD Merit his residence property on Third & Oak Streets
1893	John Kuenzi - an addition of 6 blocks on north side of town to be known as Kuenzi's addition

1893 Preparations being made by AB Claudon for a two story bank building at Locust & Fourth Streets
1893 Stanley Perlee has purchase the residence property of Dave Wright on East Elm Street
1893 John Milne & son to erect some fine greenhouses on their lots north of town
1893 JA Mangan purchase interest of James O'Malley in grocery firm of O'Malley & Son. Fire will be known as O'Malley & Mangan
1893 Harry Dexter is erecting a neat dwelling house just west of the Thomas house
1893 At a special meeting city council ordinance passed granting a franchise to Chicago & St. Louis electric railroad to construct a street railroad in Fby
1893 hotel known as the Sherman House closed its doors to the public, it is for sale, Mr. Archer, the proprietor is moving
1893 CC McDonald completed a 400 light incandescent dynamo at his shop. The machine is a beauty & built entirely by himself
1893 8 graduating Lila Cramer, Carrie Lough, Myrtle Galloway, Lizzie Pfaat, Edna Ross, Frank Cullom, Walter Watterson. Held at Opera House
1893 Gants, Barnes, & Co, elevator & milling business, dissolved.
1893 German Apostolic church erected this year -largest building of the kind in city, on site of the old one on Paducah Ave. between 4th & 5th
1893 German Apostolic church will be heated with steam, lighted with electric & has city water
1893 water main to be extended to South 5th, from Elm St, the citizens to pay for project
1893 Perlee & Kelley recently purchase hardware store of JA Stoller. New firm is composed Stanley J Perlee & Keter Kelley
1893 Fred Burch as moved his popcorn emporium from the street near Parsons' drug store to the vacant space south of city hall
1893 CA Seelman, moved his barber shop from the Straight building to the basement under the Claudon Bank
1893 Conrad Munz consented to straighten Indian creek, just west of "Cook's Bridge" to allow a free flow of water at right angles to the bridge
1893 there are over 550 prisoners at the Pontiac reformatory now.
1893 TP&W Agent Joe Reckard sold tickets to Chicago giving an estimate of Fairbury people attending the World's Fair - 1,686
1893 HI Reynolds & Everett Chambers, under firm name of Reynolds & Chambers, will start the City Laundry
1893 JW Morris new bakery is now open.
1893 SH Herzberg's big clothing store
1893 GW Eckhart has sold the railroad restaurant to Baylor Bros., Frank & LM Baylor
1894 Skating parties at Maple Bros. Opera House
1894 Tom Karnes new postmaster
1894 Women can vote in Indian Grove school election, they must provide their own ballots
1894 Beach & Dominy - Fairbury Bank dissolved, Beach retire, Dominy take over
1894 Lila May Cramer opened kindergarten (basement of Pres church) .75 a week from 9 to 12
1894 George Decker has signed for next season with Chicago Baseball Club
1894 Questioning if Marsh Park belongs to city.
1894 Young Women's Christian Temperance Union has been formed
1894 Roller Skating Club will use Maple's Hall
1894 Express office company moved into new Walton Building
1894 New law firm - Carrithers and Agard
1894 a fine hard pine walk put down in front of businesses houses on north side of Main Street
1894 Free Reading Room open every day 2-9 over Weber's Meat Market
1894 Odd Fellows to tear down the livery stable owned by Codlin Bros) where they will build their new Hall.

1894	Joseph Paternoster laid foundation for new IOOF Hall.
1894	Home Literary Society formed
1894	Harry Dexter has bought of WC Wade the property on the west side of S 4th St, by Catton's slaughter house - he will put up a residence
1894	balloon ascension - goats harnessed to wagon, about 3000 feet up - parachute cut loose. Goats landed safely out near Kring nursery.
1894	McDowell Bros, bought the big livery business of Emil Huber on N 3rd St. Grant McDowell is one of Fairbury's hustlers
1894	Bridge to be built over Vermilion at the DeMoss ford - $2725
1894	Bridge over Indian Creek, near the Co-operative coal mines is finished
1894	Mrs. Hester Lough has rented the Sherman House and will conduct it as a hotel & boarding house
1894	JH Carter purchased the interest of AE Swap in the Swap & Chapman, The new firm being Chapman & Carter.
1894	Dr JH Dye, dentist, who practiced here some ten years ago, has again located here, with offices over the First National Bank
1894	Fairbury went "dry" following election on the Anti-License ticket, Pres JW Beers, board members WW Wonser, Edward Slaghter, Thomas Gants
1894	Walton Bros. started up their creamery
1894	Dahler & Son are building a new delivery wagon for the Fairbury Bottling Works.
1894	WW Shedd bought 2 lots on southwest part of town - to build a house and will move his family to town
1894	TA Beach purchased OP McDowell farm northeast of town for $37.50 per acre. 156 acres
1894	coal miners strike over - going back to work at 45 cents a ton
1894	The Fry School, taught by Miss Goldie Spence, closed
1894	Prohibition club organized with 28 members - CH Sutton pres - HF Beers sec - James Kirby trea - CA Widdle, GP Westervelt, Jonas Lough
1894	Livingston Lodge No.290 IOOF took possession of Duell livery barn & unoccupied strip-ground between Maple Bros. $4200
1894	Dr. JR Rayburn added an electric motor to his dental parlors. A most perfect working machine to run drill - improvement over the old foot power
1894	JG Swing purchased the Simon Baechler residence in the southwest part of town $2,500
1894	old Christian church has been moved to the northwest part of the town & being converted into a residence.
1894	Roller skating club organized in town with about twenty members - will use Mapel's hall.
1894	formation of partnership between CFH Carrithers Esq attorney & Edgar A Agard
1894	Odd Fellows pushing the foundation for their new temple - blding comm. WW Wonser, Thomas George, TG Henderson, EG Fund, TA McKenzie
1895	Fairbury incorporated as city March 12, 1895
1895	Oliver Metz & Emma Witzel wed
1895	Nettie Lough & Tom Karnes wed
1895	Blade wants a new school house on the North side.
1895	They have electric lights at the depot now
1895	Winnie Patton & John Hoker wed
1895	vote on question of new school house - proposed to erect on the site of the old north side wooden structure
1895	Isaac Walton's wife Sarah died
1895	have been lots of business failures and suicides this past year
1895	Suffrage Oratorical Contest at the Opera House
1895	A businessman will give the lot opposite the John Virgin home for a public library & $2000, if town raises $4000
1895	Munz erected a new ice plant

1895 Conrad Munz Sr opened a sand bank west of the Sorghum Factory
1895 Bank of AB Claudon started
1895 CW Keck sold barber ship to Jay Tyler
1895 Kring Bros building 2 new hot houses with steam heat & all modern improvements
1895 Businesses listed Hendersons & Eddy Hardware, Swing & Steidinger Hardware, Co Operative Coal Co
1895 Patton Bros. sold out their produce business. Perlee Bros will continue the business
1895 Conrad Munz has contract for filling the ice houses for Patton Bros. & Perlee cold storage
1895 Two cents will buy a roll of wall paper at HJ Ramsey's
1895 Election to decide whether or not Fairbury will be incorporated as a city or continue as a village.
1895 TSO McDowell & JD Weaver made a deal whereby McDowell comes into possession of the Weaver property on West Elm Street
1895 Electric light Company now running all night. Users (not using meter) will be charge $1 per mo for each 16 candlepower operated after 12 midnight
1895 The vote on the question of adoption by Fairbury of the city form of government - 190 for - 41 against
1895 city divided into 3 wards.
1895 Republican ticket elected Supervisor TA McKenzie-Town clerk John Sorg-Assessor GW Bennett-Collector TF Baker-Comm Highways HB Taylor
1895 Fairbury went "dry" at election
1895 Mayor LB Dominy-Clerk ZT Hanna-Treasurer TSO McDowell-Attorney CFH Carrithers-aldermen Chesebro,Weber,Westervelt,Cook,Catton,Walton
1895 Perry Potter erecting a commodious residence on his lots one block south of the south side school
1895 Mr. Highland of Indiana purchase the Pursely livery barn in the east end of town
1895 The IOOF moved into their new temple. It is the finest in the state.
1895 Harry Streeper, Bert Slaughter, M Jacobs, Chris Amsler, Kirk Potter, Ed Von Tobel & Claude Clemens made a century run on bicycles
1895 W.J. Bethard grand opening - east end dry goods & clothing establishment
1895 The bank of A B Claudon started.
1895 HH Dexter & Co sold their meat market to Monroe Bros. who will continue at the same location in the old Serman House building.
1895 merchants had agreed to close their places of business at 8 o'clock from June 1st to September 1st
1895 several blocks of cement walk will be built - half paid by city - half by property owner
1895 old school house on the north side of town was sold at auction. Dr. Brewer bought it for $105
1895 Kecks Barber shop in business
1895 west end butcher shop has again changed hands. Monroe Bros sold out to GW Enslow
1895 Famouse Capt. Anson's Colts of Chicago in Fairbury will meet a team selected from the best players in the state on the diamond at the fair grounds.
1895 Fairbury Commission Co to be located in Franzen building
1895 The furniture department of Walton Bros moved to the new Odd Fellows building
1895 Odd Fellows temple dedicated
1895 City authorities putting cement crossing across Third St(w side of city hall) Mr. Bowman does the work free(advertising his work) city pay concrete
1895 AP Farley, Photographer, purchased an apparatus with which he is able to take photographs at night
1895 New barn being built on the Phil Wade property, corner of First & Elm Streets
1895 Fairbury experienced an real live earthquake at 5:11 Thursday morning Nov. 2, 1895
1896 Dr Sam Barnes is running for State Senator

1896	Anita Pence & Charles Purdum married
1896	Fire at South Side School. Karnes not the janitor then, gave alarm & got out hose. Suffered heart attack & died
1896	CE Amsler bought out Swing & Steidinger Implement Store
1896	Bicycling Club, about 30 members
1896	Walton's store burned - Chenoa firemen arrived by train - $87,000 loss
1896	Walton's - Palace of Trade opened in Sept.
1896	telephone line connects Fairbury & Pontiac
1896	18 members graduated, commencement exercises held in Opera House
1896	new water pump ordered for city
1896	CE Amsler Implement Store was closed by Sheriff for lack of funds
1896	FL Churchill building new residence corner of 2nd & Maple
1896	Anti-Horse Thief Picnic
1896	Dr AH Thatcher started practicing medicine in Fairbury
1896	Iron bridge over Vermilion River at Avoca Church was built
1896	EE Spencer opened barber ship in basement of IOOF building, hired Grutzle Tuttle to operate it.
1896	Walton Bros. had furniture in IOOF building
1896	The Thomas House is getting a new coat of paint.
1896	EM Stuckey & Co start new drug store
1896	Ruth Filley & Newton E Fulton married
1896	Barnes elected State Senator
1896	Marsh Park case decided by Supreme Court in favor of the city. City Attorney Carrithers
1896	Anti-Horse Thief oyster dinner
1896	C E Amsler bought out Swing and Steidinger Implement Store
1897	Anti-Horse Thief parade
1897	Anti-Horse Thief group got dogs for finding criminals, asked city to take dogs, as no resident wanted to care for them
1897	Businesses listed 1st National Bank, Wade Bros
1897	Local Phone exchange with 100 subscribers installed in the Walton Building
1897	Fred Wright has purchased AC Bartlett residence corner Elm & 5th
1897	Bloomington Attorney to complete buying George property for cellulose factory
1897	Estimated shipments of corn were 700,000 bushels & 550,000 oats
1897	Iron to arrive for new wagon bridge east of town - to be 100 foot span
1897	Mayor LB Dominy, council OS Westervelt, Henry Weber, AH Remington, AB Claudon, TD Henderson & TO Cook
1897	City authorities building a reservoir at the water plant to hold 2800 gallons. A reserve in addition to the water tank
1897	Asa Lewis purchased Baird residence property on West Ash Street - $1200 or 1907
1897	working on new depot
1897	working on scale house for cellulose factory
1897	repairs at Presbyterian church - electric lights have been put in

1897	E Bills at work sinking town well to the second Vein. - Coal shaft pump keeps the first vein sucked about dry
1897	put phone in at the depot
1897	new iron bridge across Indian Creek, south of town near the coal shaft is nearly completed
1898	Baptists ordered a new 750 pound bell from the Cincinnati Bell foundry
1898	GA Sutton build new residence corner of Third & Ash
1898	DC Stockham build new residence on North 4th St
1898	TA Babcock build new residence on northeast corner of Elm & Fourth
1898	Baptist church as new bell
1898	GW Bennett is clerk, John Zimmerman is Police Magistrate
1898	Prof. Bangs is running for State Superintendent of Schools
1898	ES Wilson, ME Pastor, is candidate for Legislature
1898	George Decker is playing a great game with the St. Louis team
1898	Victor Fogle lived corner Oak & 5th Streets
1898	Grand Callithumpian parade to be one of the Fourth of July features.
1898	George Franzen candidate for county Treasurer
1898	6 boys graduated - rest girls
1898	McDowell Bros stable sold to Wilson & Morris
1898	JN Bach resigned position in Walton Bros Clothing Dept. Now at Jacob Von Tobel's Lumber Yard
1898	Conrad Munz made about 6000 gal of sorghum this year
1898	water tower just a steel framework, holding up the tank, it isn't bricked up.
1898	City water shut off for a day for pump repairs
1898	an eagle shot south of town & recovered
1898	City Clerk ZT Hanna presides over a new roll top desk
1898	Suits commenced in circuit court against city by IP McDowell $2500 & AJ Bennet $500 dispute outlet on IP's farm
1898	Wabash railroad put up an immense whistle to be used as alarm call in case of wreck - weighs 180 lbs - heard 5 miles
1898	George Decker sold by the Chicago club to St Louis Browns for $2000
1898	TV Langabeer overhauled his barbershop-put in new appliance for heating water & elegant porcelain bathtub
1898	Progress of the Ware - Spain declared ware against the US - over 9000 mobilized at Springfield
1898	4 young men Frank Karnes, Frank Compton, Alex Skein & Martin Wullf marched away with Co. F to serve country
1898	John Kuenzi bought the milk business from Sam Stoller
1898	Herman Allen bought the street sprinkler outfit of Wilson Morris for $700 - includes the water tank at Walton Bros
1898	TP&W delivered 250 passengers to the Panhandle for the home visitors' excursion
1898	Perlee Bros. will pay 6 cents for hens & spring chickens and 7 cents for young turkeys
1898	Fairbury sells coal cheaper than any other point - 80 cents and you take home a good load of coal
1898	a new 50 foot smokestack has been erected at the waterworks
1898	Telephone line continues to gain new subscribers, the number now being 21
1898	New members for Woodman lodge

1899	removal of lumber yard from Commons in preparation for the new city park
1899	Depot Park became civic pride - RR brought in dirt & filled in 4 ft deep - raising funds for fountain (1899 is close)
1899	first football team
1899	Chas & Oliver Payne will start a new drug store
1899	DD Fultz & Iva Mapel married
1899	Ida Stewart & Ora Shanks married
1899	City Marshall Fred Baird shot by Sam Rightsell
1899	Elijah B Love & Hennie Robinson married
1889	Alumni Association organized & held reception
1899	Temperance Mass Meeting at Baptist Church
1899	Fairbury Bank employees are AC Bartlett, WR Bane & GY McDowell
1899	George Decker released by Louisville Baseball Club has been in poor health
1899	SM Barnes is mayor
1899	Von Toble's Lumber Yard is to be moved from Central Park for a new park & depot
1899	David Wright trustee of IOOF sold old IOOF building to WJ Bethard - occupied by Payne Bros. Clothing Store for $4000
1899	George Decker signed with Washington Senators
1899	PC James purchased Worrick Property of Cherry & First Streets
1899	new brick tower for the waterworks is 20 feet high
1899	Helen Lewis & Clarence Smith married
1899	Von Toble's bought 5 lots in in the block east of the Shearer elevator for a Lumber Yard
1899	Von Toble sells to Jesse Stevens
1899	fox hunting
1899	13 degrees below zero
1899	Payne Bros. opened up their new drug store in the Laubenheimer Building
1899	March - the weather is bad and mud is knee deep
1899	Fairbury has spent thousand of dollars on her streets & has nothing but mud holes when wet and hog backs when dry
1899	Payne Bros contemplate putting a bowling alley in the basement of Laubenheimer building
1899	Prof. CE DeButts has accepted the superintendency of the Fairbury schools
1899	VonTobel received formal notice from TP&W railroad to vacate the land now occupied by his lumber yard
1899	Mallory, Carter & Stevens applied to the city for a license to run a bowling alley.
1899	Fairbury Foundry will open for business - a foundry was located NE corner of 2nd & Walnut - assuming Fairbury only had one.
1899	Fairbury Electric Light Co has new incandescent arc lamps
1899	Eph Bills bought the old water tower for $36
1899	HI Reynolds purchased the ES Wilson property, corner Maple & 3rd to erect a laundry on the lots
1899	Water tower is practically finished, total cost $4026.96
1899	WG Myers has purchased the VonTobel lumber office - he will move it onto a lot & make a residence out of it
1900	Census 2187

1900	city council have had the mud scraped off Locust St this week & hauled & dumped into the park
1900	William Patterson appointed special cemetery police - $100 per year
1900	Chester Claudon, driving fully equipped Stoddard-Dayton auto won the 5 mile open event @ El Paso fair
1900	TA Beach presented the Methodist Sunday school with a Chickering piano.
1900	Miss Lizzie Nimmo employed to teach in the public schools at a salary of $40 a month
1900	Two big free attractions at the fair - Bronco John's Wild West show & Matthew Gay - world's champion high diver
1900	Clarence Myers recently purchase WJ Hillyer's barber shop
1900	Fire Waltons Bros building - occupied by Frendrick Bros machine shop
1900	Fairbury ladies served refreshments at opera house - election returns came in - clear $34 - for Central Park fountain
1900	Fairbury & Forrest football game @ fair grounds, Forrest residents rode train over.
1900	Baily & Slaughter changed ownership - Mr. Baily purchasing Mr. Slaughter's interest
1900	Turner & Woods sold their Klondike restaurant to Amos Brown & Dell Kring. Mr. Kring resigned from TP&W
1900	PM Hotaling bought Jarvel White grocery firm of White & (Frank) Reany
1901	Frank James, brother of Jesse James, starts races at 25th fair
1901	Contractor Cheery used 10 horse plow to level Locust St so they could start laying bricks
1901	Central Park filled with 25 car loads of dirt hauled from between Forrest & Chats., where TPW grading right of way
1901	New Brick paving about 1 foot above the entrance to City Hall, city hired Robert Harris to raise the building
1901	Locust St brick pavement complete
1901	A telephone ordinance was passed to bring telephone service to Fairbury
1901	Ordinance passed that is was unlawful to drive any traction engine or threshing machines on mail street.
1901	Fred Streeper opened bakery in Brown and Krings hotel
1901	Joe Ellis on trial for murder of Earl Hanna, occurred in this city April 5, 1898.
1901	Ellis Murder trial - jury deliberate 5 hours - not guilty
1901	WR Bane sold building west of Wade's Drug Store & occupied by Somers & Gibbons bakery to Mr. Somers $4400
1901	Kring Bros. the florists cut & shipped 10,000 carnations & violets for Christmas trade
1901	City will advertise for bids for paving of 4 blocks on Locust Street with brick
1901	Walton Bros, in business 25 years - sold to five old employees
1901	John Cherry, Jr, the contractor will commence paving work on Main Street
1901	HR Bedell purchased JV McDowell residence property on East Hickory Street $1300
1901	TG Henderson sold residence on N Second St to Wm Younger for $2750
1901	Asa Putman purchased of James Small the property on East Elm Street - $2000
1901	Attorney AE Agard has opened up an office in the front rooms, upstairs, in the city hall
1901	1st church of Christ, Scientist purchased Old Richey property, 5th & Walnut owned by SE Ellis - paid $1400
1901	Dr. Bishop moved his dental office from the First National bank building to rooms over CA Purdum's grocery
1901	30 miners & employees in operation of Walton Bros mine have leased the plant now West End Co-operative Coal Co.
1901	John W. Woods purchased restaurant formerly run by Mrs. Lough in the west end of the city.
1901	Photographic firms of John Baily & AJT Joslin have consolidated - Baily & Joslin will use Baily's studio

1901	TP&W have new steam shovel working between Forrest & Chatsworth - dirt dumped at new city park 1200 more yards
1901	JK Schick purchased 2 lots of John A Stoller for $1000 & will build fine residence
1901	JK Schick plans to open a manufacturing business - having purchased the rights for Skinner's patent flue stop
1901	petition presented to council- signed by laboring men, praying the council pass ordinance making 9 hrs (instead of 10) constitute a day's work
1901	Jessie May Harris brought suit in circuit court against TP&W railway - alleging damages for loss of leg - accident occurred October 31, 1897
1901	Payne Bros. drug store - business in Fairbury
1901	JN Bach - employee of Jesse Stevens & Co lumber business purchased lumber & coal yards of WH Bartlett
1901	Conrad Munz contemplates making a bathing pool at his gravel pit south of town
1901	Fairbury Electric Light Co to run day circuit - purpose of manufacturing wind for hot days - rates $1.25 per month for a 12" disk fan -businesses to do
1901	Ned Kelso opened a blacksmith shop just back of Ramsey's drug store on 2nd Street
1901	Robert Harris moved railroad restaurant from west of depot across street to Duell property which Ed Moore has leased- hole will be filled up
1901	Laubenheimer found 12 silver dollars & 1 quarter buried in fathers basement - money dated 1954-55. was part business area & hotel was on that site
1901	Franchise granted to Fairbury Telephone company to operate a telephone exchange in Fairbury
1901	Walton Bros, have closed down their shaft, the miners removing their tools. They will ship coal to Fairbury to supply their trade.
1901	Fairbury fair of 1901 has been a record breaker. Thursday crowd was a monster being estimated at 10,000
1901	SE Ellis purchased the William Cheesebro residence of E. Elm Street for $1200
1901	AE Chapman is erecting a large machine shop on his lots, corner of Locust & 6th.
1901	Bert Maxwell has purchase the Railroad restaurant
1901	AB Whitmire has sold his saloon business to Charles Blevins
1901	JG Swing made a deal whereby he came into possession of John A Stoller stock of groceries, hardware, stoves, buggies & implements
1901	what has for years been knows as Railroad restaurant - caught fire. Almost totally consumed
1901	TPW is putting in patent alarms at the crossings.
1901	Charles Miller purchase farm belonging to Alice Eyre estate paying $103.50 per acre
1901	Chris Ansler purchased 1 1/2 Lots on Ash Street from H J Ramsey for $750 to build home. Previous owners George Gibb then Roscoe Combes
1902	Gottlieb Steidinger & AB Birch formed a partnership in blacksmith business.
1902	Isaac Walton donated $1000 to start manual training in the city schools.
1902	grant franchise to H A Foster & Associates to lay gas pipes in streets & alleys to furnish gas for street lighting
1902	wedding of Edna Marion (parents Dr.SM Barnes) & Dr Harold Emery Jones of WI
1902	Attorney Geo W Marvel of Powell & Marvel will leave Fairbury to go to Clinton. He resigned as city attorney. Council appointed CFH Carrithers
1902	John P Cook, the furniture man & undertaker, has purchased a new funeral car. It is quipped with rubber-tired wheels & other modern improvements
1902	Ping Pong is latest game for sale at Walton Bros. Co.
1902	The Wilson Theatre company will be at the Fairbury Opera House & will present that old favorite East Lyne
1902	Rev. ES Wilson family new built at corner of Ash & 3rd Streets
1902	James Baird will go to Terre Haute, Ind. - where he joins the Terre Haute ball club for the season
1902	Paul Conerus, left for Los Angeles, Calif, Mr. Conerus, Sr. will have charge of the cigar factory during absence.
1902	3 carloads of merchandise for Walton Bros. Co. were sidetracked here
1902	Somers & Gibbons open a short order lunch room under Payne Bros clothing store

1902	this is the year of the 17 year locust.
1902	mason's tools for construction of Catholic church arrived
1902	Fairbury Fair Association has secured Spencer's Bank of Peoria to furnish music this fall
1902	members of Prohibition Alliance, No. 60 of Fairbury of meeting - An able lady elocutionist will render a temperance program
1902	NB Claudon will erect new grain elevator corner west of Perlee Produce Co's cold storage building south of the TP&W track in the east end.
1902	large camp of Gypsies in this vicinity for 2 or 3 weeks
1902	Slayton Jubilee singers will appear at the opera house
1903	Dedication of M E Church
1903	Central Theater subscribed $8500 in stock. FL Churchill has the subscription papers.
1903	Laying of foundation for the Central Opera House has been let to Joseph Paternoster. It will be put in this fall
1903	Bon Ton - a gathering place of old & young- opened to public 6/5/03 with WJ Braun & RC Huntoon proprietors
1903	George W & R Johnson leased Walton Bros. creamery building - corner of Locust & 1st to start factory to manufacture corn dumps & elevators
1903	Weber & Son purchased Emil Keller stock of groceries, know as "Our Store" will be under management of Don c Merrill
1903	TF Payne sold the RP Smith property - corner of Walnut & 1st Street to John Unsicker this week for $2400
1903	Walton mines leased to Davis, Beggs & Co. - 5 year lease
1903	LW Kring sold his foundry to Thomas Flanagan, for $800
1903	new coal shaft west of city 2 mile on Dr. Johnson farm is going down at a rapid rate - 3 shifts of men working - shaft has reached a depth of 20 feet
1903	Fairbury Steam laundry changed hands - Mr. Danforth retiring. Carl Garner will manage the business.
1903	wires will soon be put up from here to Forrest to operate the lights in that village
1903	Everything ready for big Fairbury Fair - Special train to fun Wednesday & Thursday from Gilman to Fairbury
1903	William Conn bought the photograph gallery of John Baily
1903	Pawnee Bill's wild west show exhibited in Fairbury
1903	CC King purchase the interest of IO McCullough in the Economy store the firm will be Hotaling & King
1903	miners at the new west coal shaft struck coal at depth of 225 feet.- vein is 5 ft 6 in thick
1903	SE Ellis purchased the Jesse Tune property just west of Mrs. McKenzie's residence this week, paying $1,200
1903	William Tavener started to erect a new house on S 5th Street
1904	Sam Rightsell died in Joliet Prison, he was convicted for death of Fred Baird in 1899
1904	Building committee of Central Opera House Co voted to employ JK Shook to build the new opera house
1904	Fairbury Union Agriculture Board decided to build a new grand stand
1904	Plans for Dominy Memorial Library to be built - cost to exceed $15,000
1904	Wabash special train to Pontiac Chautauqua - leaving Fairbury at 8:40 am - returning leaving Pontiac at 10 PM. Fare 35 cents
1904	Rural carriers notified they are to receive $720 a year
1904	John Dietiker, Jr & Orval Payne attend world's fair. Dietiker expressed the opinion that one could see the fair & live well on $2.50 per day.
1904	Fred E Thomas owned Thomas House - JP Haughan purchased the furniture leased the hotel for 3 years
1904	new grocery store of Carl Herzog in Hale store room formerly occupied by CA Purdum.
1904	Prohibition Rally held.
1904	Famous Haskell Indian Band will play at Central Opera House

1904	Walter & Joseph Kessler sold 160 acres of land, southwest of Fairbury to Joseph Householder - $150 per acre
1904	Probable that Fairbury & Strawn will have direct telephone connections in near future.
1904	WP Sutter sold his residence on East Locust street to Jacob Schieler
1905	Dominy Library dedicated
1905	George A Milne became proprietor of Payne Bros. drug store.
1905	number of births in county from January 1 to October 1 as reported to county clerk were 436. 248 males & 188 females
1905	LG Dunn & CC King bought the Payne Bros stock of clothing & will take possession
1905	change in ownership in Fairbury Bank, M&M GY McDowell succeeded by M&M Herbert Powell
1905	change in ownership in Fairbury Bank, stockholders are Mrs. LB Dominy, M&M WR Bane, M&M Herbert Powell
1905	Alderman Thos. G. Henderson purchased the grocery business of Westervelt & co
1905	Taylor's addition was admitted to the city by vote -225 for & 86 against
1905	W.L. Wann purchased from W.J. Bethard his entire clothing stock
1905	Mr. Cormon of Pontiac, sold the Phoenix hotel to Mrs. Hanes of Pontiac and bought the Forest house of TD Torrance
1905	Gilbert Evans sold 96 acres of farm and timer land just south of Fairbury to Conrad Munz for $15,000.
1905	S. G. Morrison erected a new house north of Fairbury. This house was moved to the first corner east of the original site. It was a seven room house.
1905	Fairbury Steam Laundry will make old suit look like new for one dollar
1905	Attorney J.H. McFadden opened a low office in rooms occupied Attorney Herbert Powell over Fairbury Bank
1905	The Black Diamond Mines, located west of Fairbury on TP&W railway, will be sold
1905	LB Youn & Co successors to CL Perlee
1905	The Pantitorium opened in Sterling tailor shop -Dues $1 month, Gene Carrithers manager-to keep man's clothing clean, neatly pressed, shoes shined
1905	GY McDowell to remodel room in his building vacated by SE Ellis barer shop & fix it up with modern banking fixtures.
1905	Comencing Sunday F Weber & Son will keep their meat market closed on Sundays until further notice.
1906	post cards of Fairbury businesses & streets available at Milne's corner drug store - 2 for 5 cents
1906	14 miles of wooden sidewalks will be replaced with brick or stone
1906	TP&W Annual picnic held Sept 15
1906	Logan Kring help ship cut flowers
1906	city council put in eight incandescent light on water tower
1906	72 manufacturers & jobbers of Peoria arrive. Dined in the Thompson House and called on business in Fairbury.
1906	$6000 bonds issued for water works improvements were sold to First National Bank
1906	new boilers for water works arrived, - foundation for boiler house is up
1906	RJ Codin appointed deputy sheriff by JW Morris
1907	Thomas house Fire - located a few hundred feet from depot - located corner of 4th & Walnut Street.
1907	Farmers met at City Hall to organize Farmers Elevator Co.
1907	Alex Milne erecting 2 new green houses
1907	Eddy Bros. robbed taken were Knifes & Jewelry
1907	Joe G Swing came into possession of stock of Harry J Green, which Green purchased from Hinshaw
1907	Bodkin's famous airship at fair

1907	Harvey Carter & George Heckman open men's tailoring in basement of TA Beach building 1st door east of Fairbury Bank
1907	City granted the TPW permission to move the old depot to the block east of the present site
1907	Blair Bros. open thirst parlor in James O'Malley building in east block. Fairbury now has 7 saloons. Bert & Henry Blair
1907	TP&W moved old depot to east end - later will be moved across road for office for Roadmaster James Conners
1907	TP&W begin clearing ground to build new depot. Will be brick, 25' width 77' length, cement walk length of block
1907	Munz Sorghum Works fire - entire structure mass of ruins, smokestack & boilers remain standing $5,000 loss
1907	Conrad Munz to rebuild sorghum works, expects to resume making molasses next week
1907	PF Somers owner Fairbury Bakery, sold to DD and John Kelso, will continue under firm name Kelso Bros.
1907	Survey by Mr. Kerr, TP&W flagman at 3rd St crossing. # of people who cross the tracks @ 3rd during Oct.
1907	Survey results: 4000 people on foot, in buggies, in autos on bicycles. 50 autos crossed.
1907	John Bolliger stuck heavy vein of gas - boring for water for Bud Glinnen 6 miles N of Fairbury. Auger lifted 2" by gas force
1907	Harvey E Carter purchase Michael Flanagan residence adjoining Catholic parsonage on Ash St
1907	City well has now reached a depth of 1400 feet and still going on
1907	Misses Sarah & may Bennett moved into their new residence on Ash St. between Third & Fourth
1907	Petition to submit question of whether or not there shall be liquor sold in Indian Grove Township being signed
1907	Workmen sheeting the roof of new depot - to be enclosed & slate on roof by end of month -could not finish brick work
1907	Village of Sibley severe fire - town hall & opera house destroyed
1907	JN Bach purchased property owned by FF Brydia on Ash St between 2nd & 3rd.
1908	6 Blacksmith shops: H Schnetzlar & Son, BL Rose, Steidinger & Birch , Geo W Westervelt, RN Kelso, JC Hagen
1908	Interior of Fairbury Opera House remodeled - Stage will be 50 X 80
1908	FL Whittington leased the basement under AB Claudon Bank & will run lunch room & manufacture candy
1908	PJ Loughran built a cement block house by the east gate of the fair ground
1908	workmen taking old safe out of Fairbury bank and installing new one
1908	JE Drennen purchase Cunningham drug store. Will become 5 & 10 store
1908	Harry Olmstead purchased fixtures of railroad restaurant of JB Eads
1908	JW Walton Sr arranging for line of buggies the firm will handle this season
1908	Logan Kring enlarging Kring Bros. a large carnation growing greenhouses w/ boiler-115 hp to heat 60000 ft of glass
1908	Joseph Gerber moved into house just east of CW Keck residence.
1908	Carl Goudy turned out large hall clock from manual training dept. at Fairbury High, 7"4" tall, solid oak, brass dial
1908	Dr HA Presler taken partner in veterinary business Dr RC Calkins
1908	Kuehner's 5 & 10 cent store is in business
1908	RJ Codlin now delivers mail to his patrons in horseless carriage "Staver" purchased through JG Swing & Co
1908	The "Staver" is a high wheel, solid rubber tries & speed about 15 miles per hour. First trip 9:30 to 12:30
1908	Mrs. JP Mitten & children Lucretia & Wayne returned from Texas - Lucretia 1896-97 3rd grade report card is at the Echoes Museum
1908	"Merry Widow" millinery meeting cold reception at churches, male members protest headgear cannot see minister
1908	GE Milne placed new electric sign in front of drug store & soda fountain is in running order
1908	Bud Decker has been traveling for Illinois Card & Novelty Co of Fairbury resigned & accepted position in Milne's Drug

1908 Mrs. James Wright has purchased the Will Conn property just west of Episcopal church - Conns moving to California
1908 WD Conn sold his photo studio to JH Scott of Effingham
1908 Mike Nicholas purchased dry good , stock of bushway & co.
1908 Governor Charles S. Deneen will speak in Fairbury
1908 Matt Krammerer will build concrete block house for PK Loughran on Loughran's lots on 3rd St near the fair grounds
1908 Dominy home on south 3rd St to be improved with large porch on the east side
1908 new metal ceilings will be placed in 4 of the room of the south side school before fall
1908 Joe Paternoster, cement block man, is engaged in building new cement block house for John Monroe on W Oak St
1908 Balloon ascension on held every day at Fairbury Fair
1908 JM Fetzer is another farmer who brings his butter & eggs to town in a fine modern touring car
1908 No rain since July 4, corn will not average over ten bushels per acre
1908 morning train from the west brought in 259 passengers to the fair
1908 School opened with attendance 449
1908 council allowed cement walk on east side of 2nd from Ramsey's store & one running south from ME church
1908 Joe Paternoster purchased lots in the old Arcade block and will erect building for manufacture of cement blocks
1908 GW Keck sold resident property on Elm St between 3&4 now occupied by Dr. Presler, to AF Corser
1908 M&M PK Loughran erecting cottage on S 3rd near E fair grounds gate, made of cement blocks & a neat cottage
1908 C.B. Day quit Walton Brothers and started his own plumbing shop.
1909 stores start closing at 7:30
1909 TA Beach received the first new machine of the season. It is a White Steamer
1909 Samuel R Stoller bought the Bennett Buggy Top factory
1909 Fairbury electric Light company purchased new engine for their plant. Cost of machine was $1800
1909 Earthquake shock reported in various parts of this section of country.
1909 GY McDowell invested in an auto. It is a Kissel Kar
1909 The board of education let the contract for a fire escape for the south side school building
1909 Rumor of Fairbury men erecting a small storage ice house near RR track & will ship in ice-to be sold @ .45 a hundred
1909 new one cent pieces issued by government, Indian head replaced by a profile of Abraham Lincoln
1909 First National Bank received a 6,000 of the new Lincoln pennies
1909 Steel fire escape has been erected on west side of the south side school building.
1909 John Woods is offering the Klondyke hotel for sale.
1909 Ezra Steidinger invented and received letters of patent on a mail grabber to attach to mail cars
1909 Big dynamo at electric light plant burned out Friday @ 5:30 & HA Foster went to Chicago that evening to purchase 1
1910 Census 2505
1910 Fairbury bottling works sold to Earl Clemens of Galesburg, Clemens is an uncle of CC Hollenback
1910 Gottlieb Steidinger and Asa Birch moved their blacksmith shop south the TP&W railroad tracks - guessing moved to 2nd & Walnut
1910 Blacksmith shop on corner of 2nd and Locust was torn down to put up the Illinois Hotel
1910 Floor in city hall has been raised to street level

1910	Wilbur Stephens will start an auto livery in Fairbury
1910	Schools closed by order of city boards of health - 4 or 5 mild cases of scarlet fever among school children
1910	After 2 years on the water wagon, Fairbury again a saloon town. Majority in favor of this by 62 votes - 915 cast
1910	City council - ordinance passed limiting the number of salons to 4 - 1 to each business block
1910	TA Beach has men at work in Fairbury cemetery building a private mausoleum on his lots.
1910	Herman Cloat, lives near Fugate bridge in Avoca township shot large bald eagle - measured 7 feet tip to tip
1910	Miss Ursala Payne let contract for new $5000 residence on her lots in Taylor Addition, JK Shook is contractor
1910	DR Shinn sold his cleaning and dyeing works to Levi Troehler
1910	Hugh W Pence sold his farm 2 miles south of Fairbury for $220 per acre, Conrad Munz purchased the 150 acres
1910	Business - Fairbury Iron and Metal Company
1910	Chase Studio Company purchased Scott studio
1910	Fred Munz purchase Dr. SM Barnes property on S 5th paying $6000
1910	Fairbury has 217 blocks of cement walks & 79 cement crossing per LW Kring, street commission -39 put in past season
1910	workmen laying pipes for steam heat for new hotel - will be equipped with a passenger elevator
1910	workmen putting new roof on new cement block Blivens building at Second & Main Sts. Walk also laid around building
1911	Fairbury's 1st bank closing, the 1st National Bank of Fairbury founded in 1872 by Isaac McDowell
1911	Bartlett building 3rd & Locust occupied George Milnes drug store
1911	CJ Bliven's Illinois Hotel nearly completed
1911	CJ Blivens owner Illinois Hotel closed deal with FL Churchill - to add 20 more sleeping rooms to hotel
1911	Herman Allen sold sprinkling wagon & standpipe in the east end to Fred Kelso will try to keep dust down on main st.
1911	John Sorg purchased TA Beach 2 story brick building now occupied by No Name store - consideration be $2500
1911	Bessie Mosiman purchased Chesebro property on East Oak Street
1911	JG Swing & Co organized - grocery hardware buggy Implement business - dba Fairbury Supply Co
1911	Harry Laubenheimer has accepted a position in Dominy & Co.'s bank as bookkeeper
1911	Dr D Brewer of this city has joined the ever increasing circle of automobile owners.
1911	The Fairbury Bakery is turning out some big ten cent loaves of bread
1911	M/M MJ Ritenour, of Streator, proprietors of new hotel "The Illinois" opening late Feb.
1911	Senior class: Reuben King, Lillian Harrison, Will Mundt, Lloyd Lamkins, Maggie Carithers,
1911	Senior class: Ethel Barns, John Joda, Wayne Mitten, Nellie Sutton, Mary Joda & Harriet Fogle
1911	OL Veatch purchased blacksmith shop of BL Rose
1911	Business houses will close each evening at 6 except Wed & Sat they will remain open until 9
1911	Woodman picnic held at the fair grounds and everybody is invited
1911	new veranda being built on north side of new Illinois hotel
1911	one of oldest landmarks torn down - building Locust & 5th, owned by TA Beach - in recent years used as livery stable - John Kring
1911	one of oldest landmarks torn down - John Kring remembers built in 1858 & EW Mahoney hauled first load of lumber - Wheat field cut to erect building
1911	city council trying its hand at building hard road & putting in a block in front of the Arcade Block
1911	Grover Troehler purchase Mrs. Louise Filey property on North Fourth St, paying $1600

1911	Doyle V Gudgel, manager Wells Fargo Express Co - located in Walton building
1911	Stands & globes for Central park lights arrived. Stands are iron about 12 ft high with 3 large white globes. Gift from Henry N Remington.
1911	decided to brick Third St from Locust north to alley. Walton Bros on west - WH Bartlett on East. Property owners to pay 3/4 of cost, it 1/4 ($400)
1911	Each copy of the Blade bears a Red Cross stamp,
1911	Gar Drennen leased the Carter Bowling Alley
1912	Bert Monroe bought Sam Ellis's Barber shop
1912	Clock Tower added to Fairbury City Hall at 101 E. Locust gift from Waltons
1912	LB Decker bought corner drug store from Milne Bros.
1912	Farmers grain Co preparing to build a new office at Locust & 5th Streets
1912	Postmaster Emery Gregg was notified that all post offices were to be closed on Sundays.
1912	WJ Bethard & Son to retire after 18 years-Bethard Sr purchased HC Plimpton's stock of dry goods then located in Beach bldg old opera house block
1912	WH Bartlett purchased from CJ Claudon one of Howard E Coffins models self starting Hudson 33 - $3500
1912	bell at north side school cracked in the middle of the bell
1912	Post moved into new quarters (rooms formerly occupied by First National Bank)
1912	Henry & Ben Sutter closed a deal for ownership of 123 acres of Ray Bartlett farm northeast of Fairbury $235 per acre
1912	March - 6 degrees above zero - ground frozen to a depth of 30 inches.
1912	Dr. Clyde S Brewer opened office in Bartlett building over Milne's drug store
1912	Emil Reutter began new tonsorial parlors in post office building. Has 3 first class barbers to attend customers & gigantic barber pole
1912	CJ Claudon has sold 27 Hudson cars
1912	New school bell weighing 1350 pounds
1912	Mr. & Mrs. A Berturm Claudon Jr purchased a fine 7 passenger Glide of the 1912 vintage.
1912	WJ Bethard sold his residence on S3rd St to FM Vail - $7,500
1912	The civic committee of Federated clubs of Fairbury - secured the drinking fountain given for the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals.
1912	Mr. & Mrs. SJ Perlee moved into new residence on the south side of Elm Street.
1912	City of Fairbury will consider sealed bids for building cement side walks and crossing for this year. A.B. Claudon, Chairman
1912	1400 people attached the TP&W picnic - it took 14 coaches to carry the big picnic crowd
1912	Governor Charles S Deneen will make a 25 minute speech in Fairbury. Train will arrive at depot and remain there for 25 minutes.
1912	Illinois Hotel changed hands, Charles Bivens - assuming control from WM Henderson who conducting the hotel for past 6 mo
1912	new city clock - given to city by Walton Bros arrived - Architect Schnetzler says it will in position soon
1912	Squire Zimmerman will have served the city of Fairbury as police magistrate for 25 years.
1912	Central Utilities Co. Providing lights for the city
1912	The city hall Clock & Tower donation cost $3000 & is a gift of Messers. Issac Walton & JW Walton Sr. - Bell weighs 800 pounds & has good tone.
1912	Chris Zimmerman built a new house opposite the Fugate School.
1912	J.G. Swing went out of business, sold to Atkin Bros of Grand Meadows Minn. He traded for 320 acres of land in southern Minn.
1913	Sam Ellis buys barber ship back from Bert Monroe
1913	The mausoleum at Graceland cemetery is under construction
1913	License plates on all cars over 50 HP are $10

1913	RN Kelso sold his blacksmith shop to Joseph Hagen
1913	Thomas Hornsby was caught setting fire to the Illinois Hotel
1913	frame building occupied by John Sorg in east business block & one of the oldest in city damaged by fire. Erected in early 70's by Pender Bros.
1913	WE Stephey has leased building formerly occupied by JG Swing - will have complete line of furniture & hardware
1913	Central Opera house under management of Phil Wade - price of admission 5 & 10 cents
1913	Imon Patton purchase the WL Baily property, west of the fair grounds.
1913	Dr. GC Lewis has presented the high school with new athletic field
1913	82 Motorcyclists of this vicinity had picture taken in Central Park
1913	TP&W employees will hold annual picnic at the fairgrounds
1913	Virgil Edards, the Adams Express agent - new office just north of Claudon's Bank
1913	Isaac Walton of the firm Walton Bros, died in his hotel room in St. Louis following a stroke. He had been to Stuttgard Ark to look after his rice farms
1913	100 mile motorcycle race at Columbus, O., Carl Goudy hung up a new work's record for 100 miles on a dirt track at 92 minutes
1913	Water for drinking purposes is getting very scarce in some parts of count. North of Fairbury wells very low. Farmers are hauling water 5 or 6 miles
1913	John McGreal baritone soloist, is singing at Bon Ton one week.
1913	Walton Bros. showing something new in way of single buggies. It is electric lighted, lights being furnished from batteries under the seats.
1913	Illinois hotel damaged by fire & water. Building is property of Charles Blevins - 2 years old.
1913	Ed E Powell of Bloomington purchased the Empress theatre in the east end, of Edw. Longbottom
1913	Roscoe Combes purchased the Mrs. Jennie Travis-Cooper property in southwest part of city, paying $2000
1913	Charles Blevins, who had conducted a saloon for several years, has disposed of his thirst parlor to John Judge
1914	Dr Rayburn sold his dental practice to Dr WA Roth
1914	The Fairbury Hospital, on West Oak Street, Feb. 2 1914, Rachel Olson RN will be supervisor
1914	FL Churchill sold his grain elevator to SC Bartlett & Co of Peoria IL
1914	Jess Stevens sold his lumber business to Alexander Lumber Co. of Chicago IL
1914	Peck Franzen appointed postmaster of Fairbury IL
1914	Louis Keuhner sold his 5 & 10 cent store to SB Hirstein
1914	Road following TP&W railroad through Fairbury was to be called the Peoria Logansport Road
1914	Route 47 was Strawn Road, The road following Alton RR was called the Pontiac Trail
1914	BonTon Limits basketball team blossomed out in new suits & sweaters. Suits gray, sweaters black - both have "L" monogram
1914	TP&W and Wabash railroads reduced the work of their men. Also reduced the salaries of the men from $1.65 to $1.35
1914	Mayor HB Taylor out a quietus on the punch board business in Fairbury
1914	Dr. WA Roth successor to Dr JR Rayburn now permanently located in his suite of rooms in the Walton Building.
1914	Building committee in charge of erection of a tabernacle for Honeywell union meetings on the old Thomas House lots
1914	160 acre farm estate of Frederick S Hall, sold at auction in front of LB Dominy & Co bank to Robert Abbey - $252.75 per acre
1914	Albert Wilson, conducted a lunch room & restaurant under the GY McDowell & Co bank has disposed to Charles Weisser
1914	Miss Mae Bennett & Miss Elsie Herzog, - B & V store
1914	over 300 people saw the Bon Ton Limits defeat the Champaign Blues at the Fairbury opera house
1914	Tabernacle meetings held by Rev. IE Honeywell is the evangelist in charge - located on old Thomas House corner lots

1914	The Phi Chi Psi fraternity of this city has a mascot - an alligator captured by George Royal McCabe (in Florida)
1914	election question - if should be dry township
1914	Election results - aldermen on Citizen's ticket WR Freeman, Robt Henning, Francis McDowell, current members E Keller, Joseph Gerber, JC Kessler
1914	Carl Goudy finished 3rd in 100 mile motorcycle race at Terre Haute.
1914	lumber business of late Jesse Stevens sold to Alexander Lumber Co of Chicago. SA Demler manager of lumber yard
1914	Bid for new high school $49,000 B Krauell of Danville, plumbing & heating $13,000 to AW Murry of Hoopeston
1914	Plans for mausoleum to be erected
1914	engagement of Miss Lucretia Mitten to Charles Steinberg was announced.
1914	Lighting struck steeple on Presbyterian church
1914	Harry Bloom comes into possession of HK Meyer's interest in the Fairbury bakery. Now known as Alexander & Bloom
1914	The Five and Ten Cents Store - Louis Duehner - has changed hands. SB Hirstein new proprietor
1914	MM Jacobs purchase AE Chambers property situated in southwest part of city. Price $3,500
1914	GM Duzenbery & GR McCabe formed partnership under name of Duzenbery & McCabe with the purpose of dealing in grain & feed
1914	Phi Chi Psi added new pool table to go with billiard table purchased 2 years ago.
1914	Phi Chi Psi held annual dance at Fairbury Opera House Thanksgiving evening with 50 couples participating.
1914	Dr E.L. Fincham, a dentist from Roanoke, Illinois is locating in Fairbury in rooms over G.Y. McDowell's Bank.
1914	Louis Kuehner sold his 5 & 10 Cent Store to S.B. Hirstein.
1915	Mausoleum at Graceland Cemetery has been completed
1915	Marion Fugate and Bert Claudon open creamery building, built by John Hibsch, will manufacture butter & ice cream
1915	Perlee Produce supply of ice from Munz sandpit
1915	John Woods, conducting "The Woods" restaurant on West Main St, will move his eating house to his building in the middle block
1915	building in the east business block on Main street known as "old Henry building" was totally destroyed by fire
1915	Howard Alexander purchased interest of partner Herbert Blohm in the Fairbury Bakery
1915	Joseph Wright sold his residence property in the northeast part of town last week to Adam Barth for $1175
1915	John Hibsch purchased the cement block factory which was built by M Kammerer a number of years ago.
1915	George Armbruster purchased half interest in plumbing business of WJ Potter & the firm will be Potter & Armbruster
1915	At a meeting of the Bon Ton Limits, Perry J Keck resigned as member of team, "Derby" Wilken to finish the season
1915	Miss Bertha Ranft will be head of millinery department of B & V Store
1915	Marion Fugate to manufacture of ice cream & butter in new building on the Claudon lots on East Locust Street
1915	John Sorg building occupied by Roanoke Bakery & Five & Ten Cent Store of Hirstein & son
1915	Fairbury will have a wireless receiving station. AH Mundt to erect a 25-foot pole on top of city hall - other pole on top of Central Opera House.
1915	LN Simmons purchased the Fosdick barber ship which is located under the Fairbury bank
1915	RC Huntton Jr purchased residence of Martha Foster on West Oak -$2500
1915	C.C. Hollenback sold his house to E.L. Clemens corner of 1st. and Hickory Street. Hollenback moved to Deming, New Mexico.
1915	during winter 500 50 600 men received lodging at city hall, Chief of Police Baker had full house; about 15 "knights of the road" applying for lodging
1915	JA Franger leased BL Rose building across the street from Central Opera house & opened a garage
1915	Certificate of incorportaion of Phi Chi Psi filed with Circuit Clerk JG Whiston

1915	new members Phi Chi Psi - Charles Harper, Hugh Pence, WC Schmidt, Homer Fry, John Householder, Walter Nussbaum, GA Sutton
1915	Fairbury Creamery new firm - the cement building which they occupy is located at corner of 6th & Locust- butter manufactured as "Corn & Clover"
1915	Zimmerman & son leased the Franzen building & will open grocery store
1915	Machine installed in Mundt jewelry store building promises vast interest - refrigerating machine for family use - top cooler than bottom might keep ice
1915	Stockholders of Fairbury bank owned by TSO McDowell estate & occupied by the Fairbury Shoe Store.
1915	The Fairbury bank owns the building it now occupies & the one occupied by JT Gill music store - 3 nice building lots adjoining each other.
1916	NJ Claudon bought Benson delivery service & will have new wagons harness & horses
1916	Florist Alex Milne building new addition to greenhouse
1916	Robinson's big show circus
1916	Oct 1916 heavy snow of 4" drifted depth of a foot or two.
1916	Opera House picture show is 5 and 10 cents. Liberty is showing
1916	cement sidewalks ordered, Walnut (Jackson/Clay) 8th (Maple/McAllister) 4th (Locust/Walnut)
1916	Severe electrical storm, lighting struck old opera house, tree at Louis Sorg's place & telephones in NW part of town
1916	owing to the high cost of meats & poultry, Illinois Hotel will not serve any special Thanksgiving dinner, just regular
1916	Fairbury Auto Co, just purchased by Frank Combes & Wesley Hanson
1916	Edward Longbottom has purchased the Empire theatre on East locust Street & is showing a fine class of pictures
1916	first graduating class - Ollie M Filley & Ida L Hallock
1917	Dan McLean proprietor of local ice plant put up ice 10 thick
1917	During Blizzard Kring Bros burned 15 tons of coal heating their greenhouses
1917	NJ Claudon building barn on 4th St between Maple & Locust will house Benson Delivery Co- will be brick veneer
1917	WC Mundt rec'd notice from federal government to dismantle his wireless - he took the wires down
1917	Lower front room of City Hall to be made into a ladies restroom (maybe this was temporary)
1917	Tried plan of parking the autos in the center of street, worked so nicely will park in center instead of along curbing.
1917	Sam Zehr purchased property on East oak belonged to Fred Bleuer 11,200. Karl Kecks also lived there.
1917	Fairbury Carriage Co. has big line of storm buggies in
1917	Phi Chi Psi has 3 new members- Will C. Drennen, Harry Bodley, Frank Shaw
1917	new addition to be built on Presbyterian church
1917	Scouier building in east block is undergoing renovation & will be occupied by American Tea & coffee Company
1917	Fairbury to have another bank. MB Wells to purchase Louis Werling building now occupied by Carter billiard hall
1917	NJ Claudon new garage nearing completion @ 4th & Maple will be know as Claudon Motor Mart
1917	Wade Motor Co. newly organized will handle Buick line of cars
1917	Another bakery opened in sorg building in the east block - operated by John J Swartz
1917	work was started for new oil station @ 3rd & Walnut. Owned by Van O Wharton
1917	Fairbury Opera house buyer JE Eddy & Emil Keller - seller Phil Wade $2000 - recently used dances & BB games 50X100
1917	HT Kyser moving his music store into Sorg building in east block.
1917	JT Gill leased Bartlett building north of Decker's drug store
1917	James c Hargen conducts blacksmith shop west end of town.

1917	The Klondike Hotel was located at the corner of Locust and 4th Street. Where Reuben Huber had his clothing store.
1918	Fairbury's first "glueless" day - most businesses closed for the day Jan. 1918
1918	CC decided city ought to have a team of its own & purchase limit was $700
1918	Post Office in McDowell was closed
1918	Grade schools officially name - Isaac Walton School North, Edison School South
1918	St James Hospital in Pontiac burned
1918	Frank Combes & Wesley Hanson bought a building from NJ Foster for $7500, Automobile business
1918	Dr HC Sauer bought out Dr GW Schelm.
1918	Paul Conerus closed his cigar shop
1918	Fuel famine - all businesses suspended for 5 days & then every Monday for 10 weeks (not drug stores or schools)
1918	BLIZZARD - no trains ran - tem 26 below - businesses at standstill - no church - great drifts
1918	Orders issued by post office department at Washington DC closing the post office at McDowell
1918	James C Hagen, blacksmith shop west end of town & Joseph Hagen east end of town formed partnership
1918	James C Hagen & Joseph Hagen will commence business together on the west end of town (east will close)
1918	a blowout shot caused explosion in south mine area
1918	Conrad Munz Jr took over ice business of Crystal Ice Co., which was operated by Dan McLean
1918	Alex Smith purchased Mrs. M Bentley residence in east part of town
1918	Fairbury Telephone Co bought the livery barn north of Walton Bros. Co store on 3rd St -livery barn will be in back part
1918	Presbyterian church addition - choir room, Bible class room, 2 restroom cost $2400
1918	Fire Chief Demler recommended stop the parking of cars in front of city hall as interferes with getting hose cart out
1918	Ruling in regard to use of sugar for sweetening drinks sold at stands - at fairs-homecomings & picnics- not allowed
1918	Prof. MR Trexler had charge of shorthand & typewriting classes skipped out without handing in resignation.
1918	Bert Monroe added an electric clipper to this barber shop equipment
1918	schools, churches, picture show, all club rooms and lodges ordered closed by board of health - Spanish influenza
1918	ladies can vote next Tuesday but only for trustees for the University of Illinois
1918	War ended - firing of guns, ring of bells & blowing of whistles were heard
1918	influenza quarantine has been lifted, school will be open after a 4 week's closing
1918	Farmers State bank opened for business in the room formerly occupied by NL Wann Clothing store
1918	The US food administration has removed the restriction on the amount of candy that may be sold to one person
1918	sugar bowl is again in our midst, after an absence of 5 months
1919	Knoll Lodge organized
1919	Conrad Munz got the first artificial ice in Fairbury, 70 ton
1919	HK Meyer bought grocery store from Dan Bittner
1919	Joseph Carrithers bought the Valcanizing Plant from KC Avery
1919	Boy Scout Troop #1 organized by ME Iler Principal of Isaac Walton School, was scoutmaster
1919	James Moran moved his cigar factory from Weber building to Claudon building formerly occupied by Paul Conerus
1919	City fathers purchase 40,000 gallons road oil to be used on streets - price $7.79 per 100 gallons.

1919 the main road leading out of Fairbury east from 8th St to the city limits almost impassable condition all winter
1919 Heavy rainfall occurred, Indian Creek spread all over the country and the boating has been good.
1919 The mud on the road has been hub deep and the farmers say the roads are the worst in years.
1919 old phones of Fairbury Telephone Com was loaded in large truck from Chicago
1919 Smallpox is troubling the people of Fairbury
1919 rats an issue
1919 Marsh Park resplendent with new play equipment
1919 Kuenzi dairy made more modern within the past week by installation of a milking machine.
1919 Farmers Elevator bought 23,000 bushels of wheat this year, 3 times the amount handled last year (8100)
1919 Charles B Day donates drinking fountain to Fairbury Fair
1919 Baby Grand Chevrolet $1225 - Fairbury Auto Co.
1919 AB Claudon, Jr. left for Peoria & Kewanee to buy a new boiler for the Fairbury Creamery Company
1919 Fairbury Troop No. 1 Boy Scouts of American, No. 38641 has received their charter - Scoutmaster ME Iler Principal of Isaac Walton School.
1919 Veach residence on South 3rd Street sold to G.H. Bennett for $4100. The John Gerbers now reside there.
1920 Census 2532
1920 Louis Brown bought electrical business from Louis Dirks
1920 Iron Bridge on S 7th Street road was washed out by a flood
1920 Percy James Jr passed exam to enter West Point
1920 Oak Armstrong sold his restaurant on West Main Street to John Judge
1920 John Meister and John Frey of Gridley paid $12000 for east end grain elevator
1920 Dr John Sargaent bought Dr HA Presler Vet Practice. Presler came to Fairbury in 1894
1920 New fire truck arrived, Maxwell truck was parked in City Hall
1920 Dr HM Leonard will take over the practice of Dr HD Stewart
1920 Cable in the center of main street for lights in business section, paid by businessmen first time lit May 29, 1920
1920 N Jay Claudon garage aka Claudon Motor Mart burned down 4th & Maple also barn & 100 tons of baled hay
1920 NJ Foster & Son new garage with 6500 square feet of floor space
1920 Fairbury Creamery new 80 horsepower boiler to furnish power to ice-making plant & all other machinery in business
1920 Liv Co women denied privilege of expressing their sentiment at ballot box at presidential primary.
1920 Keck Ins agency purchased Archer building, main floor occupied by Hill's ice cream parlor & confectionery store
1920 council to purchase new fire truck - hand-pulled hose carts had been used but hooked to autos to go to fire
1920 Conrad Munz Jr purchased MM Jacob's ice business to consolidate under the firm name Fairbury Ice co.
1920 Dr. Pendergast, optometrist, accept potatoes in lieu of cash - gold mounting & lenses will be 2 1/2 bushels potatoes
1920 GM Duzenbery & Co - East end elevator- sold to John Frey & John Meister for $12000.
1920 M&M CJ Claudon will leave in their car for Indianapolis, Ind where they will take in 500-mile automobile race
1920 Water table is down - residents asked to stop using city water for gardens & sprinkling streets
1920 Charging of 80 cents a hundred for ice Mr. Munz branded as profiteering of the worst kind.
1920 Hirstein's variety Store moved to Keck building on W Locust

1920	Late Harriet R Humiston leave one million to charitable & educational purposes
1920	Keck Ins agency purchased insurance business of Joseph Chapman
1920	Gottlieb Steidinger purchased from C.J. Claudon a home at 211 S 4th Street for $5500.
1921	Aaron Hirstein & Hugh Lovett opened the Argonne Café Sunday Noon
1921	Argonne Café closed its doors, Lovett took bankruptcy
1921	Phi Chi Psi put on play
1921	512 S 4th St - Emil Hertlein purchased from Mrs. Henry Mueller for $2000
1921	RJ Codlin opens Livery Barn 110 N 3rd St
1921	Mrs. RE Jones & Mrs. Verba Jones leased building occupied by Hull millinery - opening The Spencer Shop women apparel
1921	Keck building remodeled by Perry & Karl Keck - front is dark brown rough brick- with stone trimming
1921	Keck building - west half of main floor is Hills' confectionery store - east half by Hirstein's Variety Store.
1921	Lovett & Hirstein, proprietors of Argonne Safe purchased of Ben Hill his Candy Shop - which was opened for 6 1/2 yrs
1921	Ralph Crawford chiropractor, to open an office in the Walton building
1921	grand total of gate & grandstand tickets for the fair is $13,666.50
1921	California Motion Picture Co. will film and entire scenario in Fairbury - contest to find most popular young lady held
1921	"The Waif" picture with local cast will be shown at Central Opera House
1921	Small snow storm on 3rd of May
1921	frost in May - low of 31 degrees - did damage to gardens & corn crop
1921	sum of $2133 has been subscribed by the business men of Fairbury to oil the roads leading into this city
1921	Wade Motor Company, leased the Foster garage building at Maple & Third streets
1921	Wm Carter proprietor of Fairbury Bakery purchased the latest most improved bread mixers in the country
1921	CO Mize taken over barber shop located in the Moran pool hall building
1921	4th meat market. ER Barber leased building on West Main street formerly occupied by Ford Garage. Meats from WD Spence farms
1921	Dr JH Langstaff adds another story onto his building make a 2-story structure out of the same. The 2nd store will only extend back 30 or 35 feet
1921	Businessmen of Fairbury in for all-day closing of the places of business Thanksgiving day. A little forethought along this line could make it permanent
1921	Work started on taking down the false front that has been standing since remodeling of Masonic Temple
1922	Kelly boras, purchased the Argonne Candy Shop, it will be called Empress Confectionery
1922	passenger service to Streator has been discontinued on Wabash
1922	Wade Motor Co. quit business. It was owned and operated by Phil & James Wade, in business for 5 years
1922	Dr Calkins sold vet practice to Dr John Sargeant
1922	Conrad Munz completed harvesting of ice crop - 3 houses were filled - 16 hundred tons to fill. 10 to 11 inches thick & perfectly clear.
1922	Manager Ramsey is making arrangements for the installation of a radio apparatus at the Central Theatre.
1922	Ben Peter will open a garage in the building corner of 3rd & Maple - he has taken a course in welding (in Chicago)
1922	business & professional men of Fairbury organized the Fairbury Business Men's Association.
1922	87th birthday of Thomas Talbott, an early settler 1866 - 80 acre farm south of Fairbury bought for $12.50 acre sold a few years ago for $425 acre.
1922	five miles of hard road to be built over the Corn Belt Route leading to Fairbury. Gov. Small announced $10,000,000 approved with this 5 miles included
1922	C.I.P.S. company will move into their new office quarters in the American Legion building

1922	Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Hanson moving the to property corner of 1st & Maple Streets.
1922	TP&W is running an excursion to Peoria, $1.75 round trip. Attractions: Peoria & Rockford baseball game & Steamer Julia Bell Swain + others
1922	Sweeney Gasoline to open
1922	Sheriff RT Gorman conducted raids with "Sponge Squad" - seizure of a still & cooler at one place-8 pint & 1 quart bottle of moonshine at another
1922	big water main on Locust street burst between 3rd & 4th in front of Jefferson's pool hall & Wade's drug store- broke through pavement for 75 feet
1922	Chief of Police Mr. Kelso has resigned & name of Fred Baker has been presented. He has served in this capacity before & made a good officer
1922	The Argonne Café closed its doors. Hugh Lovett took bankruptcy.
1922	Kelly Boras, a Greek, purchased the Argonne Candy Shop. He is from Bement, Illinois. It will be called the Empress Confectionery.
1923	Walton's store burned
1923	TP&W coal tipple located 1/2 mile E Fairbury put into operation in June, 1923
1923	Work is progressing rapidly on the Walton Bros Co. and the Fairbury Bank buildings
1923	master's sale(real estate) in front of city hall Robert Abbey buy 26 acres(Bell Prairie) & CF Voris buy Abbey property corner 4th & Hickory $1400
1923	Walton Bros. Co. fire estimated at between $250000 & $300000
1923	Band of gypsies (50 to 60 of them) invade city - Officer Baker soon had them going on their way - traveled in 12 touring cars, mostly Hudsons
1923	AL Stuckey purchased Payne residence property, corner of 7th & Elm. $3000.
1923	24th Annual TP&W picnic held at fair grounds - special train carrying the people to Fairbury
1923	Sam Zehr became owner of Mrs. WD Fry farm, 4 miles south of town, paying $255 per acre - 240 acres.
1923	Dr. Calkins sold his vet practice to Dr. John Sargeant.
1924	Stop signs have been erected at Oak Street at all crossings
1924	Dr Calkins returned & secured the Buick Automobile Agency & ran vet practice & taxi out of telephone building
1924	Phi Chi Psi active has billiard tournament
1924	Bartle Steidinger purchased lots on W Locust St of MV Harms, paying $2200. formerly was Claudon Motor Mart & Corn Belt Garage & ER Barber
1924	Don C Merit residence on S 5th St was sold to Ernest Houser
1924	School furnished lunch, consisting of half pint of milk & graham cracker to underweight children in grade school-6698 bottle of milk used during year
1924	Harry Foster, proprietor of the Men's Shop is closing
1924	Van Wharton purchased property at the corner of 1st and Oak from Mrs. L.B. Dominy. He will remodel the house and live in it.
1924	Van Wharton will open new filling station at northeast corner of 1st & Oak
1924	Dr D Brewer moved into new quarters over Claudon bank - formerly occupied by James Moran's cigar factory.
1924	Dr Law will occupy the offices over Wade's Drug Store formerly occupied by Dr. Brewer
1924	Fairbury township high school plus grade schools opened with enrollment of 516. 177 in high school
1924	Alexander Bakery feed crowds fair week - sold 37861 buns. 8140 loaves of bread & 652 pies plus cookies, cakes & rolls
1924	Henry K Meyer again becomes the owner of the Quality Grocery, purchased from Albert Rusterholtz
1924	for 2 days & nights area has been in the grip of the worst sleet storm it has ever experienced.
1924	Jack Thompson, president of Fairbury Fair Association
1924	Wesley Hanson moved to 303 West Chestnut Street vacated by Wade McIntosh.
1924	Walton Bros. Co. opened their new store after being burned out.
1924	Gar Drennen purchased a property on West Pine Street from Mrs. Mary Neuschwander for $2000.

1924	Stop signs have been erected at Oak Street at all crossings.
1925	Central Opera House had a fire but not complete destruction.
1925	Henry Rafferty running Sweney Oil Station on Main Street
1925	Hans Franger opened garage across from Central Theater in BL Rose building
1925	The JT Gill piano store on West Locust open for business
1925	Braun & Huntton proprietors of Bon Ton will install an iceless refrigerator which keeps ice cream at same temperature
1925	Pil Fisher residence, corner of 5th & Elm, will be moved away. Fisher will build a brick veneer bungalow
1925	Cora Evans, I.L. Harris and Frank Phelps bought G.A. Sutton's interest in the Fairbury Blade.
1925	in 1924 Beehive school closed (only 5 pupils in district) in 1925 there will be 9 children - school will reopen with Miss Elsie Neth as teacher
1925	Zirkle Bros (restaurant burned out July 3rd) will open for business tomorrow in new location old Fairbury Bank building.
1925	Mid-State Theatre corporation is now in possession of Rialto theatre formerly Taylor Theatre company.
1925	Henry Sutter moved to his new home at 544 South Fifth Street.
1925	John Fendrick, closed stock of goods in Claudon building, just north of Claudon bank & will occupy the west part of louis Sorg building
1925	Dance halls in Livingston county will not operate on Sunday nights
1925	EW Powers sold residence corner of 3rd & Ash to Carl B Moore - - superintendent of grade school - price over $6000
1925	GW Bennett funeral
1925	Central Theatre may soon be opened to public -
1926	new well down to 1215 1st & Locust
1926	Construction started on Duell Building now occupied by Daves Grocery Store
1926	Ernest Bess erected an oil station at corner of 7th & Oak
1926	passed ordinance providing creating of "Municipal Bank Fund"
1926	Ira French drilling well at depth of
1926	Council minutes: Major W C Chapman appointed Grant P Duzenbery Chief of Police
1926	Indian Creek Golf Club was formed
1926	Fairbury citizen did traffic survey on Route 8 562 cars 498 men - 64 women drivers
1926	Dedication of memorial tablet in Central Park to ex-servicemen
1926	Shrubbery set out on the high school grounds a year ago has wonderful growth
1926	A charter granted for TP&W recently created to take over the road. George P McNear purchased road $1,300,000
1926	well completed by Ira French, 1583 feet deep, was started in February
1926	Remodeling City Hall where fire truck formerly stood, will be clerk's office and meeting place for council
1926	Aaron Steidinger bought business known as Fairbury Vulcanizing Works - opening Steidinger Tire.
1926	SC Bartlett disposed of this grain elevator at Locust & 1st St to SC Van Horne
1927	City council met for first time in their new quarters on main floor of city hall
1927	PM Hotaling purchased of Charles W Veatch, the Veatch Coal Chutes located south of RR between 1st & 2nd
1927	Fires escapes installed at Edison & Isaac Walton schools per state fire marshal - also installed at high school
1927	TF Ralston leased east room of Odd Fellows building & will more his 5 & 10 cent store there
1927	Henry Troehler moved his barbershop from Sorg building in east block to room vacated by Margraf store

1927	Ernest Kurth purchased Sorg building, one door east of Kurth's Sanitary bakery. The bakery will move there by 1928
1927	Progressive Electric Shop moved from Odd Fellows building to Babcock building of which they will occupy west half
1927	AH Mundt's jewelry store occupies the east half of Babcock building
1927	Class of 1927 lefts funds for shrubbery west side of football field & 2 ornamental posts with name of field in post archway
1927	Hibsch Bros & helpers to lay brick for building which will house new boilers at the waterworks
1927	CA Church improvements - excavating under the west wing - ladies & mens lavatories will be installed
1927	CW & HH Padfield of Champaign purchased furniture & fixtures of Illinois hotel & leased building from JW Mohler
1927	PC James Jr. horse Buzzer finished 1st at Tijuana, Mexico paid $31.20 to 1
1927	During football game the bleachers fell seating 100 - no serious injuries.
1927	CW Veatch sold coal business to PM Hotaling
1928	Van Wharton opening an oil station at the corner of 3rd & Walnut - Van's Super Service station
1928	Henry Schade build residence northeast corner of Elm & Third Street
1928	A&P Store leased room in Odd Fellows building now used by Col. WL Baily as second hand store
1928	Fairbury Rotary Club Organized March 31, 1928 44th District - Luncheon Every Monday at Illinois Hotel 12 M
1928	Appointment of Donald Karnes as varsity track coach at Ill. Wesleyan
1928	An aeroplane was pressed into service-made tour of country & scattered cards for Republican candidates
1928	Radios tuned to WLS to hear barn dance program - Reuben Bradley & Sam Meyer
1928	Farmers Meat Market closed, at one time they operated 2 meat markets here
1928	Work on erection of the new oil station at the entrance to the city on the hard road from the west
1928	Work on Schade residence in course of construction on northeast corner of Elm & Third Streets
1928	Building occupied by Van's Service Station, 1st & Oak Streets is receiving finishing touches
1928	Nussbaum, Walter buys building from estate Geo Hale for $3500 to open Nussbaum Brothers heating & tinning shop
1928	Nussbaum Brothers building was occupied by DD Fultz with studio on main floor & Dr. EL Fincham upstairs
1928	Nussbaum Brothers building for present at least still be Johnson shoe repair shop & cream station
1928	house of AB Claudon Jr sold to John Mapel $5250,being over fourth or fifth of what it is worth
1928	The A&P store now in new location in Odd Fellows building.
1928	TP&W bridge crew building a complete new bridge across Indian creek just east of town
1928	Wade's opening new drug store on the corner of Locust & 3rd Streets - Wade's Corner Drug Store
1928	Miss Ruth Bradshaw was tendered position of superintendent of city schools Salary $2000/yr Carl B Moore resigned
1928	53rd annual fair will get under way next Monday, Labor Day.
1928	Citizens to vote on the question of Sunday movies.
1928	Aaron Steidinger, owner Fairbury Vulcanizing Works, rec'd bad cut when inner tube exploded & rim struck his face
1928	Belle Prairie - Runyon & Williams have contract to cut (about) 1500 walnut trees on the Bellsly estate
1928	last section of Rt 116 opened for general traffic
1928	40 million voters went to polls & elected Herbert Hoover as president
1928	Fairbury Vulcanizing Works scene of disastrous fire caused damage to amount of several thousand dollars
1928	Munz harvesting ice

1929	Miss Kate Keeley purchased Joe Reis cottage on E Maple price $550
1929	The city seems to be broke and the water works tower going to wrack and ruin.
1929	15 degrees below zero
1929	Advertisement - steam cooked Hot Dogs, only 5 cents at Miller's Cigar Store
1929	3 fires - 2 heavy losses - John Joda Post, American Legion & Fairbury Produce Com.
1929	Ashes in the alleys or streets are city property and must not be hauled away. - Fairbury City Council
1929	Many complaints - damage done by dogs running over gardens - Keep them up or city will be compelled to dispose
1929	May 2nd - real snow storm here - started early morning & kept up until noon.
1929	The National Tea company, which conducted a grocery store here, closed & moved their stock of goods away
1929	Positively no swimming allowed in the Munz sandpit - Conrad Munz. Jr.
1929	Kroger grocery store to open in the Masonic building
1929	The Whirligig, which Mrs. GC Lewis presented to Marsh Park is in place
1929	Driving over sidewalks is strictly prohibited- if necessary to drive over walk for delivers, sidewalks must be protected
1929	Canada thistles are unlawful to let grow. 3 arrests were made and fines assessed for a violation of the law.
1929	drive for funds to install rest rooms at Marsh park is now in full swing
1929	Central Opera House planning to use Vitaphones for talking pictures
1929	JM Bach's lumber yard on East Locust destroyed by fire. $50,000 loss
1929	Kroger store opened in the Masonic building. Was in the Duell building formerly the Laren store, the Kroger store taking it over in 1937
1930	Census 2310
1930	Fairbury City Hall - Fire department area converted to city clerk and water department offices
1930	petition passed for automatic signal flashers at 7th & 1st Street
1930	electric lights were turned on after many years of darkness
1930	oil station erected in spring - NW corner of 2nd & Oak (Route 8) will be property of Texaco Oil company
1930	Commercial National Bank of Chatsworth failed to open doors - now under control of Washington DC
1930	Fairbury Bank, did not open for business - in hands of state bank examiners - closing was voluntary
1930	US post office decreed all rural mail boxes be painted white and should be painted often to not look dingy
1930	building that once housed the Munz Sorghum works on the Conrad Munz Sr farm - business started 41 years ago
1930	For the second time this winter-snow storm completely demoralized traffic in this section of state
1930	M&M KV Keck leased the Austin Harrington property on E Maple
1930	oil station erected west limits on Oak (Route 8) CC Clanin, Quality grocery - makes 7 oil stations on Rt 8
1930	large barn of NU Claudon main & 5th street burned
1930	during the depression Eli Mosier opened a business NE corner 2nd & Walnut - repaired cars
1930	26 12-year olds were at Walton Bros receive camera from Eastman Kodak Co - 50th anniversary
1931	Council passed wheel tax for vehicles
1931	George Mowery purchased Fogel property Oak & 5th - will open Funeral home - M&M Whitmire occupy 2nd floor
1931	WW Holloway purchased John W Woods-the latter's business building Locust & 4h - Woods has a restaurant there
1931	OA Wait purchased SE Ellis barber shop in same building Bedell news stand - Bernard Keeley has barber chair also

1931	M&M AA Gagnon take over management of Ballard & Johnson railroad restaurant - from Frank Sorrels
1931	retiring city council met to amend Sunday amusement ordinance to allow picture show & miniature golf courses to operate on Sundays.
1931	JW Worrick one of early settlers passed away (age 80) moved here age 4 - it was unbroken prairies & houses far apart - Fby few houses & business
1931	wheel tax in effect
1931	small cyclone stuck Virgil Mundell farm -- 7 miles south of town
1932	changed main street parking from center to outside
1932	Christmas day - sun shone - weather so mild - number of golf fans played - youngsters wading in Indian Creek to look for golf balls
1932	Wabash railroad company discontinued local freight service once a day-making a one-way trip daily, making Forrest the Sunday layover-cutting exp
1932	March - 2 to 4 degrees for a week
1932	HJ Perceny & LH Frantz, who operated the Central Opera House picture show since Dec.1930 gave last show
1932	H.E. Carter's tailoring establishment in The Blade building moving to room occupied by H.B. Bedell news stand & O.A. Wait barber shop
1932	Fairbury picture show new proprietor - R.H. Goold - son-in-law of A.B.McCollum, owner of Central theater.
1932	Mr. & Mrs. EJ Lometti moved this week from Dr. Bull apartments to the Pendergast residence at 205 E Oak Street
1932	Mr. & Mrs. James Goodrich moved from 211 N 7th to 104 W Hickory St
1932	Emerson Mitchell has leased of GY McDowell what is know as McDowell bank building - will serve sandwiches & carry full line of cigars & tobaccos
1932	building located between TP&W tracks & Walnut St - just east of 1st St aka old Churchill oats bins burned - it was used for storage - auto & tractors
1932	St. Commissioner Andrew Hlavas & workers remove ornamental light post from the center of Locust Street
1932	CN Pfoff & son Kenneth closed Empress Confectionery in the Keck building after 5 years of business
1932	Milo Betz pool hall robbed
1932	Sept. 21st LB Bud Decker began his duties as Fairbury city clerk
1933	council decided to remove horse hitch rocks from downtown
1933	Tearing down the T P & W depot by John Bolliger
1933	John P Cook started Cook Brothers 45 years ago - Hardware, furniture & undertaking business. - has had 3076 funerals
1933	saw mill at the east edge of Fairbury operated by Clarence Clanin burned.
1933	residence on the northeast corner of Oak & 2nd known as Brownson property was torn down to be moved to the farm & rebuilt
1933	All metal boat which Edward Alt, Raymond Grover & Delbert Green constructed for the past 2 1/2 years. Took it to Munz sandpit
1933	50 years ago Judge CFH Carrithers, just out of law school came to Fby & opened up a low office in bld on the site now occupied by Walton Bros. Co
1933	JE Carrithers who operated confectionery store in Keck building, knows as Grey Goose closed - he proposes to open up again at another location.
1933	Ernest Hofmann, operated a cheese factory for last 3 years, will move factory to southern part of state - lack of enough milk for the factory
1934	State accepted TP&W petition to tear down the passenger depot
1934	work project 6200 known as PWA work on water works
1934	Route 8, which goes through Fairbury, will hereafter be know by its federal highway number which is 24
1934	WLS Barn Dance troupe played to a full house at Central theater estimated 2,300 people attended the show
1934	Fairbury wheel tax license has been set by city council.
1934	Articles of incorporation of Walton department Store, Inc.filed in office of Circuit Clerk, Will C Schmidt, Hugh W Pence, Carl J Herzog, JA Patterson
1934	Harry Klopfenstein, Fairbury Motor company announced intention of a new garage & oil station at interestion Oak & 2nd streets - Brownson corner.
1934	Sam Kaisner & H Bushman employees of Wiedman Store

1934	Co-operative Coal company in business at this time.
1935	Brick construction started for water works plant
1935	WPA main street project competed surface ditching
1935	WPA work being done on main street program. Water works project of WPA continues
1935	New bowling alleys in the Mapel building formerly occupied by the Home Café - known as "duck pin" alleys
1935	A & P store in city
1935	M&M Fred Cooper have leased the lunch room at the Streib service station - west end of this city of Rt 24
1935	air-cooled system for Central theatre is contemplated. Ira French is drilling well on south side of theatre - looking for sufficient quantity of water
1935	Walter Nussbaum, purchased Lutie McDowell farm just east of town - located east of bridge not far from Rt24.
1935	Armbruster's plumbing shop was in business
1935	The B-M Store moving to Dwyer building formerly occupied by PM Hotaling's grocery. 122 W Locust Street
1935	Mr. & Mrs. T.F. Ralson operated five & ten cent store closing. Opened 9-14-1914 purchasing the variety store of D. Adams.
1935	Kunkel's will open a five & ten cent store in the masonic building.
1935	first of two wells to be sunk in connection with Fairbury's new waterworks system, completed by Bolliger & Sons
1936	Council decided to sell bricks from main street project $6 per 1M or 1 cent each
1936	Locust St improvement contract to F B Dryer, Hoopeston. Includes paving from 1st or 5th. 20 ft concrete pavement
1936	Lloyd Hartman new manager of A & P Store succeeding Spencer Littleton
1936	Fairbury Hospital addition is in progress
1936	Co-operative Coal Co started tunneling a new entry south of the city under land owned by Miss Goldanna Cook
1936	Alderman Carter & Estep & clerk Decker purchased a permanent "Christmas tree" for Central Park
1936	Fire Dept elected: CF CA Demler, 1AC Henry Rusterholz, 2AC Henry Paternoster, Sec George Walker, Trea WH Hallock
1936	possibly of new post office in new future
1936	Jay Marks manager of Fairbury Garment Co has 30 employees
1936	Harry Clemens, proprietor of Fairbury Bottling Works
1936	soft maple trees in front of grandstand were chopped down, were probably 60 years old, set out at time of first fair
1937	paving project on main street is to be continued as a WPA project
1937	Bon Ton, been in operations for 29 yrs, closed it doors. New drug store, operated by AJ Porter will open soon
1937	FS Boose operated Illinois Hotel for 3 year, closed and Fairbury is without hotel
1937	Supervisor HW Meisenhelder moved is office from west business block to NW room upstairs in city hall
1937	A stop-go traffic light was installed at City Hall corner of Locust & 3rd Street
1937	Mayor to be elected for 4 years instead of 2
1937	Lots cleared on NW corner of 8th & Oak for oil station to be erected by Mr. Hicks of Roberts
1937	Herbert Rudd leased bungalow & oil station on Rt 24 west & will operate as a dairy bar
1937	Fred Cooper disposed of lunch room in west part of town to WB Davison.
1937	Erie Lee opened "The Grill: in Langstaff building will open another restaurant on Rt 24 east edge.
1937	John Bolliger purchased Ulfers property on East Ash paying $955

1937 Fairbury to have new post office - to cost $70,000 "heard over the radio"
1937 Erbie Lee closed "The Grill" in the Langstaff building corner of 4th& Locust Streets
1937 Louis Weber lease his butcher shop to Harold Davies of Bloomington - after being engaged in the meat business for 49 yrs
1937 Lutheran church, corner of Walnut & 5th remodeled
1937 old waterworks building on 1st St to be rented to Sam Haab to house his trucks.
1937 Herbert Rudd owned farm 3 miles East of Fairbury - manufactured & sold ice cream wholesale - disposed of farm & equip.
1937 Leman Brothers, Nash Auto & Farm Implement dealers have occupied John Hibsch building at Locust & Sixth are moving
1937 Leman Brothers moving remodeled building at 1st & Locust owned by PC James
1937 JA Franger, occupied building at 1st & Locust for years with Hudson-Terraplane-Hupmobile selling equipment to Leman Bros.
1937 B-M store owned by May Bennett & WB Mitten going out of business
1938 Herbert Hurt purchased of Rickett heirs, 409 W Elm - $2,500
1938 Henry DeFries purchase of PM Hotaling, the Fairbury coal Chute, located on TP&W right of way between 1st & 2nd
1938 Herman Huber to build brick house between 5th & 6th on lots purchased from Maurice Hertzog (guess Elm St)
1938 Elmer Bolliger purchased 2 Armbruster lots on Elm St near 10th St to build 6-room bungalow
1938 RL Tipton family moving from Von Tobel place - corner of 3rd & Elm Streets
1938 RL Tipton family has leased from Louis Weber - 402 E Hickory aka the "Harry Laubenheimer residence"
1938 Herbert Hurt bought Ricketts property on W Elm St
1938 Dr FH Miller sold his residence 107 E Walnut St to AW Steffen
1938 JE Carrithers installing new model soda fountain which is really the "last word" in fountain equipment at Grey Goose
1938 Dr FH Miller buys north end of Von Tobel property on 3rd St & contracted with JN Bach & Sons for colonial cottage
1938 Miss Nannie Johnson purchased from John Wiedman residence at 600 W Elm St
1938 newly-installed chimes at Presbyterian church will be dedicated
1938 Mrs. Jessie Rudd purchased of Wade heirs 504 S 5th St, occupied by Nathan Steidinger & family
1938 Indian Creek golf course is not open to players
1938 crowd of 14000 at fire ground over the 4th.
1938 Timmy Belgian shepherd & grandson of Rin Tin Tin will drive downtown Fairbury - he will guide the car & watch traffic lights
1938 John Joda Post, American Legion presented a proposition to build swimming pool in Marsh Park
1938 furnished sleeping rooms for rent $2 per week
1938 CIPS - electric co. - new sub-station on the site of old one at the SE corner of Locust & Webster Streets
1938 downpour of rain - 3 inches of water in a little over an hour.
1938 complaints about children riding bicycles on sidewalks have been coming in - according to Mayor Craig
1938 large patch of marijuana weed which government attempting to eradicate discovered at Cornell
1938 Kuenzi's finished husking their popcorn, over 20 tons of it
1938 Reuben Hacker leased the fair grounds and commencing Nov. 29 will start having community sales.
1938 Eli Mosier - NE corner 2nd & Walnut - became Pontiac dealer
1938 a little twister of regular cyclone variety visited Edward Wenger farm 2miles E - 1 1/2 miles S,
1939 heavy snow 13 to 15"

1939 petitions circulated seeking to have question of whether or not intoxicating liquor shall be sold in corporate limits
1939 elementary school notes - The board of education has purchased a merry-go-round for the Edison playground
1939 Hicks Oils added new 4000 gal transport truck - making it second. Employees 8 men
1939 Warren Stevens to build apartment house 28 x 48 feet, 3 stories high, contain 6 apartments - strictly modern
1939 17 year locusts have begun to appear
1939 June - Cropsey experienced first cyclone
1939 fire dept pay increase - $4 per fire for each man $5 per chief
1939 electrical storm - damage at Kring Brothers greenhouse. Lightning hit smokestack & knocked off bricks
1939 Dr. Francis E Townsend visits Fairbury
1939 Average price of gas throughout the nation was !3.40 cents a gal compared with 14.16 last year & 18.52 in 1929
1939 for 2 seasons Jerry Wagners conducted a roller skating rink in Fairbury opera house - leased 2nd floor of Mapel building.
1940 Census 2300
1940 Council decided to remove old chimney on "City Hall" and build a new one.
1940 John Beckley dry goods store building leased to Western Auto Supply - 202 E Locust St
1940 dog license tags issued in Fairbury
1940 Fire on main st., Economy Dress company's factory - 400 dresses were ready for shipment & 25 bolts of goods gone
1940 Farmers Grain co locker plant @ 115 W Locust St - installed refrigerator showcase, tenderizing machine + others
1940 electric storm damage to 4 houses on E Locust, fridge & radios hit - Clyde Sutter window casting & piano damage
1940 Fire discovered in basement of Methodist parsonage - Rev. CH Essman & family - $200 damage
1940 Retail distribution of nylon hosiery, hailed as the "successor to silk stocking" begins
1940 voting on proposition of whether or not they should change to daylight saving time defeated by 19 votes
1940 Eli Mosier - NE corner 2nd & Walnut - became Allis Chalmers dealer
1940 Annual Appropriation passed $22,500
1940 after 56 years the coal mine just south of town KA Cooperative Coal Company (1st) Indian Creek Coal co (2nd) has ceased to operate
1941 DD Fultz moving his studio to Hotel Fairbury building. Joe Zimmerman will open a hardware store where Mr. Fultz vacates
1941 M&M Lloyd Hartmen moved into newly remodel home 108 E Hickory - M&M Lyle Beattie move to second floor
1941 Contract for building the bases for standards for ornamental lighting systems has been let to Henry Paternoster
1941 Nathan Steidinger has sold his interest in the Steidinger Super Service station to his brother Aaron
1941 Walton Department Store closing out line of farm implements
1941 WA Busby purchased Andrew Paluska barber shop on N 3rd St - This shop was moved from Hotel Fairbury building which Paluska opened in 1937
1941 DR CS Davies - pastor of Presbyterian church - retires
1941 Wayne Mosier went to work @ Eli Mosier Implements which sold Pontiac & Allis Chalmers - Wayne worked there until he bought it 1958
1941 Fairbury township high school graduating class of 48 - 26 girls & 22 boys
1941 GL Mowery purchased Mrs. Herbert Powell residence, corner of Oak & 3rd streets. He will remodel it for use as funeral home
1941 large brick chimney at Kring Bros. green house has been stuck by lightning twice before was the victim of another blitzkrieg.
1941 Ernest Hoffman purchased of Ernest Bess the Bess service station on Rt 24 at 7th St. Mr. Mess will continue the trucking & coal business
1941 a section of the country northwest of Fairbury had electricity for their farm homes for the first time

1942 Ordinance no. 529 relating to air raids and blackouts was passed.
1942 Townsend Homecoming was granted use of Central Park- Dr. Francis E Townsend -father of old age pensions
1942 Harrington farm, 200 acres, located Avoca township sold at master's sale in front of city hall, Will Ifft purchased at $176 per acre
1942 Tire Rationing program - Raymond C Tavener allowed pair of tractor tires. Dr. GG Seitman & Lewis M Haab, both of Forrest allotted auto & truck tires
1942 The Taylor Insurance Agency moved offices to the Blade building
1942 The GL Mowery funeral home located in its new quarters at Third & Oak Streets
1942 work of dismantling the tipple & other buildings at Indian Creek Coal mine - south to town aka Cooperative Coal Co - in business 57 years
1942 John Gerber will replace John Wade at the Farmers National bank
1942 Apostolic Christian Church purchased of Frank Miller estate, the Miller property located on E Oak St & adjoining Graceland - plans for a cemetery
1942 First annual Fairbury Hobby Show - Fairbury Archaeological Society
1942 Fairbury Steam laundry sold equipment- has been part of Fairbury business life for almost half century
1942 Fairbury has first test blackout lasting 30 mins. Several blasts from siren will give 3 minutes notice - list of violators to be sent to army headquarters
1942 Honeger Bros. & Ben Roth purchased the large oats bin just south of the TP&W tracks of First St. Installing a feed mixer in the building
1942 PM Hotaling shutting up shop after 42 years - stock to be taken over by Waltons -
1942 blacktop road between Weston & Pontiac was completed
1942 fire started in the Alexander Lumber company's store house -
1942 War conditions are causing the closing of Western Auto Associate store. Thomas E Holland opened store in the east Business block in 1940
1943 Council approved to let Royal Neighbors use upstairs room for meetings.
1943 Council approved to let steam engines on City Streets during scrap drive parade to support WW II -
1943 Honegger Bros, new feed mill at 1st & Walnut Streets
1943 Feldman's Feed Store - grand opening
1943 President of the United States issues a decree that "freezes" about everything - grain - wages
1943 Ernest Fosdick purchased the business property adjoining the Fosdick Produce on the west, formerly occupied by Armbruster plumbing shop
1943 According to ME Tarpy when the 2nd war loan drive closed - people of Fairbury and vicinity had purchase a total of $101,588 in war bonds
1943 28 army trucks & jeeps in charge of 31 soldiers & officers passed through Fairbury from Ft Riley, Kan to Mich. Stopped at Decker's East End café
1943 Ira "Ike" Kilgus proprietor of City Meat Market closing his business. Mr. Kilus purchased the market of RB James in 1939
1943 Fairbury's monster scrap drive
1943 PC James is senior member of James & Dogin law firm
1943 Honegger Organization employees & families - enjoyed picnic at Marsh Park. About 125 people
1943 Postmaster RA McAllister sold 1104 federal auto tax stamps
1943 26 Walnut trees from Henry Sutter farm south of Fby, cut down & ready to deliver to US government. Government men selected trees-dia 12" or more
1943 26 Walnut tree cutting is reminder of WW I when many Fairbury walnut trees were cut for use to in manuf. of gunstocks
1943 5th annual Townsend homecoming & founders' day held in Central Park. Dr. Francis Towsend, Founder of Townsend plan, born northeast of Fairbury
1943 enormours parade will feature Fairbury's big scrap drive
1943 The penny supper at the Isaac Walton School, sponsored by the PTA cleared 115.50
1943 H DeFries proprietor of Fairbury Coal Chute disposed of his buildings by Honegger mill to Honegger.
1943 H DeFries leased of George Walker & Walker coal yards & equipment a block west of where Fairbury Coal Chute was.

1943	SC Van Horne disposed of his grain elevator at Locust & 1st St. to Honegger Bros.
1944	contract awarded to paint water tower for $130
1944	Bridge over Indian Creek, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Fairbury is known as Scriven Bridge
1944	The old waterworks building corner of 1st & Livingston, owned by city - leased by Silas Steidinger for his transfer business -damaged by fire
1944	sawmill set up in Jack Schahrer timber northeast of town. Lumber will shed shipped to Caterpillar plant in Peoria for crating their products
1944	Isaac Walton & Edison school children collect all waster paper - Uncle Sam needs your paper. It is patriotic to save scrap waste paper
1944	Honegger Bros., purchased the west elevator of SC Van Horne
1944	David Hartman proprietor of Standard Service station on Rt 24 (old Streib location) purchased from EE Foltz & Jay Downes
1944	new ration tokens in effect-simplified plan food rationing program according to local war price & ration board, Red(meat&fats) blue(processed goods)
1944	Miss Georgiana Daly, manager of Third Street Kroger Grocery.
1944	Cities Service com took over service station of CE Leman located 1st & Locust.
1944	Mr. & Mrs. Myron Womack purchased of Mrs. Nelle Nimmo her neighborhood grocery store on East Locust
1944	The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co (A&P) located in Fairbury
1944	Sanitary Bakery owned by Ernest Kurth closes - building sold to Farmers Cooperative Machinery. Kurth purchased from John J Schwarts in 1923
1944	big water tank of top of water tower gets new coat of green paint. PE Hawkins of Streator will paint with brushes $130. city to supply the paint.
1944	Month of October designated as time for the National War Fund Drive. 10,000 communities will hold campaigns to raise $250,000,000
1944	The Third Street Kroger grocery store, located in Duell building, closed.
1944	Leman garage being moved from corner Locust & First to new location 224-226 E Locust
1944	Cut-N-Curl new beauty shop opened at Hotel Fairbury by Mrs. Margaret James
1944	Andy's Ice Cream parlor has used it's entire quota by the 22nd of the month. Will be closed until next month.
1944	Werling Meat Market conducted by M/M FA Werling going out of business after 42 years
1945	Farmers Implement co. acquired the Fairbury opera house - purchased by Mrs. Nellie Eddy
1945	7th annual Townsend homecoming. 2000 to 2500 people attended
1945	Edward R Ruhlander has taken over interests of Clarence Newman Jr at Cities Service Oil Company - corner of Main & 1st Streets
1945	Fairbury is soon to have a roller skating rink located in the Fairbury Opera House, recently purchased by C.E. Leman from Mrs. J.E. Eddy
1945	ice house lasted until 1945 - didn't say what happened to it
1945	The War Production Board has issued another call for tin cans. Boy Scout will pick up.
1945	Goudy Jewelry Store closed 2 years ago will reopen
1946	Honeggers & Co purchased Hotel Fairbury (from Robert Mack)
1946	Dr D H Johnson new dentist
1946	At central Theatre Van Johnson; Esther Williams in Easy with Lucille Ball & Keenan Wynn
1946	Sandwich shop to be adjunct of Hotel Fairbury under the hotel management of M/M Martin Flanagan
1946	David Hartman's Service opening at 6th & Ash- for years he has conducted the Standard Service Station on W RT24
1946	M&M GL Mowery leased Locust & 5th, for manuf. of cement blocks dba Acme Block Shop
1946	Little Joe's Grocery, 401W Oak St
1947	Post Office to be in Porter Building @ corner 2nd & Locust
1947	Fred Feldman & Sons store in with Economy Dress Co, 105 W Locust until possession of IOOF building 120 W Locust

1947 H&H Motor Sale's new building corner of 7th & Rt 24
1947 Arrangements now complete for homecoming of Dr. Francis E Townsend
1947 Mike Zimmer Jr appointed manager of Sweeney Gas & Oil station at 4th & Locust
1947 Steidinger Service @ 123 W Locust improved - new cement floor, wide entrances - new windows - painted white
1947 Fairbury Cafe (Clark's Cafe) sold to Irwin Riffey
1947 JW Nosek leased the Nazarene church & will convert it to a store building, with a stock of shoes
1947 Geo. Poole sold one of his prefabricated houses on East Walnut to Lee Schuler of Weston - price $8,750
1947 Mr. & Mrs. Martin Flanagan to give up lease, they operated the hotel for the past year
1948 Water Tower dedication located 1st & Locust - metal construction by Chicago Bridge & Iron
1948 Brick Water tower torn down
1948 Body of Pfc. William Rudolph Jarvis son of M/M BM Jarvis arrived in San Francisco - killed in action on Iwo Jima
1948 petition has been filed asking for consolidation of Cropsey HS & Fairbury HS
1948 graduating class of 27 - 16 boys 11 girls
1948 Hospital payroll for May was $4482
1948 Walton Department Store $50 taken from 3 cash registers.
1948 landmark on the Munz farm- south edge of Fairbury- large ice house Fairbury Ice Co - Conrad Munz owner - burnt to ground
1948 Long-time dream of a lighted football field for Fairbury will soon become a reality
1948 Lloyd Borngasser buys 300 W Maple St (old McKezie place)-dismantling house-use lumber for Lake Bloomington cottage
1948 Fair attendance - largest since 1876 total paid 4395 people
1948 Ward Beam Daredevil Show - Hartley Moore drove 42 miles an hour before the ramp to hurdle Cropsey school bodies
1948 The Potter school taught by Mrs. Mabyl Mehrkens, had 15 pupils enrolled.
1948 Miss. Irma Waggoner replaces Miss Nelle Carrithers as Dominy Memorial librarian
1948 Caution light for intersection of Oak & 4th St arrived, will be turned on during school hours
1948 group of citizens from Fairbury area went to Chicago twice last week to donate blood to Clyde Sutter @ Billings hospital
1948 enrollment at Fairbury grade school is 300
1948 total of $41,000 in Fairbury hospital debenture bonds has been sold
1948 Additional storage tank facilities installed at Honegger's feed mill - to hold 32,000 gallons of fish soluble & molasses
1949 Fairbury Iron & Metal Company on West Locust St - fire damage
1949 Raging fire reduced Honegger's feed mill to smoldering ruin - lighting the town - gleam in sky seen 30-40 miles
1949 Work on new baseball field at Fairbury township high school. Located on NW section of land donated by Alma James
1949 senior class of FTHS went to Starved Rock on skip day
1949 Honeggers & Co announce they will build a new $400,000 ultra-modern feed mill in Fairbury
1949 Huette addition to north of Fairbury
1949 Polio - 185 cases reported in Illinois
1949 City has all alleys, Marsh Park, city dump sprayed in effort to eradicate flies & other insects to keep polio away
1949 Austin Harrington constructs Lustron all metal house 24x31' next to James residence 7th & Hickory
1949 15139 persons paid their way into the 73rd Fairbury Fair

1949	President Truman threatening to intervene in 43 day coal strike
1949	Telephone installed in the new Lustron home of Mr. &Mrs. Paul Hambsch marks the 1000th telephone installed in Fairbury
1949	E & E Café managed by M&M Ed Rapp - it was the east-end café - they managed it for about 10 years until 1959.
1950	Census 2433
1950	Ries Cleaning fire
1950	Dave's Super Market grand opening - self-service store, 2 check-out counters - M&M Dave Steffen(Emma Lou Huber)
1950	Addition of one new bedroom to your house would cost somewhere around $841 in materials -
1950	3000 persons visited Zimmerman Hardware store at the grand opening
1950	Fairbury Paint owned by BA Tollensdorf moved to new location - where Model grocery was located
1950	Students complain - grades lowered when they wore "Blue Jeans" to school - BJ are here to stay - let's accept them
1950	20th anniversary Dave's Supermarket - new entrance with power doors
1950	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Roxyettes Revue
1951	Sunday July 8, 1951 - flood - rained 7.3" in six hours
1951	old railroad coal loader & water tank (land mark E of Fairbury) to be torn down per Perry Burroughs station agent
1951	18 tons of scrap paper was collected by members of local FFA Chapter
1951	TP&W coal tipple located 1/2 mile E Fairbury - torn down - it was install 1923
1951	new grocery store built by Dominick "Carlo" Giancarli located at rear of Giancarli residence Oak & Webster Streets
1951	Joe E. Carrithers owns Grey Goose
1951	PTA ask city council for their OK to fluoridate the city's drinking water
1951	work started on stretch of new paving on route 24 between Chatsworth & Piper City
1951	PE Tetley leased Hotel Fairbury - will be remodeled including new kitchen equipment per Sam Honegger
1951	Police officer George Walker arrested youth for shooting 3 of his 5 fire crackers - fine $31.20 paid in court of Justice of Peace HB Bedell
1951	Henry DeFries, Railway Express agent here for the past 22 years, resigned last week. - been on leave of absence for the past year due to ill health
1951	Installation of Texas-Illinois natural Gas Pipelilne will reach Route 24 in the summer - it progresses 8000 feet a day.
1951	Cook's Funeral Home open house - took 8 months to complete & is the largest structure built here since the war
1951	Estate of James Harrington (came to America 1849 aboard sailing ship from Ireland) 524 acres of land sold ($237,000) to Bahler, Eddy & Munz
1951	Fairbury Ice co will discontinue residence deliveries according to Conrad Munz
1951	Bob Wharton took over Standard Oil distributorship. His father Van Wharton introduced Standard Oil in the 20's
1951	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Roxyettes Revue
1952	Thursday June 26, 1952 Central Theater fire
1952	FM Masterson, postmaster reported over $30,000 receipts taken in for 1951 - plus $11,000 in money orders
1952	Mrs. Alma Lewis-James, author of "Boney's Hired Man" asked by Viking Press of New York to read & criticite books for them
1952	21 cases of scarlet fever
1952	new wing at Fairbury hospital estimated cost $146,000 - now has total of 5 beds
1952	Kroger Store-located here for past 23 years closed. Mr.&Mrs. Arthur Stephan to lease building to Stephan Drug Store (now located in Porter building)
1952	Ernest Grace & his father Leroy set a goal of 1200 baby pigs each year on their hog farm. Alma Lewis-James owes the 505 acres of land
1952	Ernest Hoffman, Hoffman's Shell Station since Aug.1941 leasing to Harve Baer, Mr. Hoffman plans to build structure to house ice cream store

1952	Fairbury Fair board announced plans for 1952 auto racing season at Legion Speedway - 118 laps of Midget auto racing
1952	CC Thompson, chairman of new hospital dive, disclosed yesterday that $156,834 in cash & $4,500 in pledges received from Fairbury residents
1952	Dave Steffen bought Russ meat mart from Roy Bussell & Lloyd Hartman, Mr. Steffen has leased market to Alan Parks of Pekin
1952	Walton Department Store install new electronic department
1952	Stephan Drug Store will hold grand opening.
1952	"Here Come the Nelson" starting Ozzie & Harriet Nelson of radio & 2 sons David 14 & Ricky 11 is showing at the Central Theatre
1952	7 cases of polio reported in Livingston County
1952	Ira Kilgus closes Ike's Royal Blue store (operated since purchased from Harold Shultz in 1946). He will take over Dave's Superway Store meat market
1952	Walls of Central Opera House building which was gutted by fire June26, were leveled.
1952	First Community Sale
1952	June 26, 1952 Central theatre burned.
1952	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment WLS Barn Dance
1953	Gene Vaughan & Paul Hoffman of Fairbury Construction Co Inc. announce a dealership for Hallicrafters television - at 212 E Locust
1953	Fairbury will have a new dentist Dr. John R McDonald
1953	new Standard Oil station on Oak St to open. Built by John Maple, operated by Carl Rapp - station at the location formerly occupied by the Bungalow
1953	Thuro-Bilt Products located on East Walnut - neighbors file complaint
1953	Lyle Huette purchased Fairbury Opera house from CE Leman, located at Locust & 5th, now houses Sanitary Cleaners & Chilon shoe Repair Shop
1953	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment WLS Barn Dance
1954	Fairbury Auto Co parking lot corner of First & Walnut Streets
1954	Ben Franklin Variety operated by Mr. & Mrs. Fred Bashford - purchase by Mr. & Mrs. F R McGillen
1954	WH Bartlett purchase Wharton Corner Store. Shelby Wharton, seller operated since 1949 when purchased from James W Wade (drug store)
1954	HB Bedell, conducted news stand (45 yrs) disposed of business to Jack Williams - in Blade building
1954	Wallace JaKa & son Ralph were here to recondition the working parts of the town clock & refurbish the dial
1954	FM Masterson, postmaster recorded 7050 pieces of first class matter was cancelled.
1954	1950 census: 2,430 person within city limits. Of that 2,430 about a third are employed in the city exact figure 927. 191 businesses in Fairbury
1954	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Pee Wee King
1955	The Fairbury Committee for Fluoridation met to outline a program to obtain a favorable majority when the Fluoridation question is on the ballot
1955	Richard Kilgus has purchased Carlo's Market from Joe Giancarli
1955	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Duke of Paducah
1955	voters rejected the proposal to add fluoride to the drinking water of the city of Fairbury by a vote of 689-254
1955	John Piercy, purchased the Williams newsstand
1955	Dave Steffen leased additional store front in Maurer & Roth building. Al Kilgus moved his barbership a door north
1955	940 students enrolled in Fairbury-Cropsey schools
1955	Frank's IGA market installed new self-service meat counter
1955	Fairbury area farmers are collecting $12,000 for the purpose of aideing in the purchase of new & improved fire equipment
1956	Major sewer project $35,000
1956	Workmen to start on heating tunnel for new wing of Fairbury Hospital

1956	75 year old ice house-6th & Walnut-torn down, owned Conrad Munz-making room for implement storage area
1956	2-way radio installed in PD cars connecting with Livingston County Sheriff's office & Illinois State Police Cost $435
1956	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Grand Ol Opry Lonzo & Oscar
1957	pool built - goal of $40,000 reached
1957	Council voted to buy a caution light for school crossing on RT 24
1957	City bought 10 acres from Floyd & Emma Estep to use for a city dump
1957	natural gas flowed into Fairbury for the first time - to the home of Harry Bodley @ 109 W Maple Street
1957	Trinity Lutheran church - ground breaking
1957	Dr Earl Voight purchased practice of Dr HN Finnegan - same location 200 E Locust
1957	Fairbury-Community Swimming Pool association will sign contract for purchase on land on 1st
1957	Fairbury Jaycees will sell Fairbury centennial plates with proceeds to go to the swimming pool fund
1957	voting on issuing $125,000 in GO bonds for construction of sewer treatment plant
1957	Ground breaking for Methodist church education building
1957	Homer Kemp leased building owned by Walter Dutlinger on E Locust St for restaurant
1957	Honeggers' & Co Inc purchased Honegger-Hanley Mills Inc of Mansfield, Ohio
1957	Sale of Honegger egg grading station of Forrest to Andy Lokos of Chic. Announced by Honegger Farms Co Inc
1957	WLS National Barn Dance broadcast from Fairbury set for Jan 18, Fairbury Jaycees have announced
1957	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Minnie Pearl
1958	2600 persons watched the 2 performances of the WLS national Barn dance
1958	135 girls are presently enrolled in 11 Girl Scout troops in Fairbury. The local organization began in 1930 by Mrs. Keck
1958	New Post Office building promised by fall.
1958	CA Huette said George Ifft has 13 acres south of Fairbury, he is considering developing into a site for 45-50 homes
1958	Honeggers announce restaurant on 1st floor of Honegger House now operated by Ray Crook
1958	CE Leman purchased from Andrew Rapp building at 224 E Locust which housed Reany's Ice Cream Parlor
1958	Ervin Moranville purchased of Homer Kemp the Par-Ka Grill which opened last Dec. Mr. Kemp is in ill health
1958	Wm Weber buys 112-116 W Locust-plans to remodel-now Fairbury Bakery (Ernest Kurth) & Double M Tap (Virgil Munz)
1958	Survey by Chamber indicated only 38 families in Fairbury drive to other towns for employment
1958	Hospital Chatter - 18560 lbs laundry washed & ironed in a month - 500 pounds of soap
1958	Fairbury Civil Defense formed Maurice "Bud" Johnson director
1958	Info on new Post Office rec'd by Postmaster Francis Masteron - government seeking some to building - PO to lease to them
1958	Info on new Post Office - to be leased for 20 yr period and pay $2500 for lot in Central Park
1958	road to be built to sewage pant east of town
1958	Electrical part of City Hall tower clock is needed to repair clock.
1958	JA Folwell Post 174 held open house in their new building - built with volunteer help & materials cost was $8000
1958	new $200,000 Fairbury hospital wing opened - expands the hospital capacity to 93 beds
1958	new sewage treatment under construction
1958	new Fairbury Post Office building will be completed by late spring

1958	8 reunions are booked for 1959 - 4397 ate in the park during4 1958
1958	Wayne Mosier bought NE corner of 2nd & Walnut opened Wayne Mosier Implement - bought from Eli Mosier (Eli Mosier Implement)
1958	the building NE corner of 2nd & Walnut had 3 sides of limestone rock stone - brick was on the top portion -think that was result of roof fire
1958	2 banks joined: Farmers National Bank of Fairbury & First National Bank of Fairbury
1959	Group of Fairbury businessmen to build new restaurant half mile west of Fairbury on land sold to corp. by Ed Metz
1959	Loyola Theater, only motion picture theater in Fairbury is due to close its doors on May 22 - lack of attendance
1959	June - pool attendance 500 each day
1959	proposal to install mercury vapor lights in downtown area is under consideration.
1959	Fairbury Post Office moved to corner of East Locust & Fourth Streets
1959	Skating at Marsh park for winter skating rink and summer tennis court.
1959	Grand opening for Bob's Cities Service, Bob Perkins owner, bought out partner Keith Coleman
1959	Fairbury Sewage treatment plant in operation.
1959	more than 1700 person filed through newly-remodeled National Bank of Fairbury
1959	H.L. Marsh addition
1959	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Frosty Follies Ice Show
1960	Census 2937
1960	Perry Munz contracted Farmers National Bank building from National Bank of Fairbury & started to remodel for Maries Dress shop
1960	Council investigating the replacement of traffic light at 3rd & Locust with more modern signal device
1960	Rt 24 is finished - after 14 months
1960	A&K Grain Storage Co new corporation formed & will be in the Koehl Building on West Walnut St.
1960	Dr. Francis E Townsend, 93, died in Los Angels - born in log cabin 3 miles east of Fairbury
1960	Fairbury Loyola theatre, closed since Dec. 1959 will reopen Sept. 1960
1960	M&M William Maier sold building @ 200 E Locust St to Dr. EH Voight
1960	Nussbaum Bros, a plumbing & heating institution at 124 E Locust St have expanded to the building next door
1960	Willard Bess bought Veatch agency from Charles Veatch - to be know as Willard Bess Insurance Agency.
1960	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Duke of Paducah
1961	Dean of Rural carriers is retiring. Reuben R Fuller began PO position 1921
1961	Lynn Dameron one of 16 Eagle Scouts honored at Ill Wesleyan Memorial Center
1961	Trinity Lutheran church purchased 104 W Ash St for parsonage
1961	Medical Arts building, corner of 4th & Walnut near completion - where the Thomas House (hotel) burned in 1907
1961	Larry Sohn purchased Fosdick Foods from M&M Ernest Fosdick will reopen Larry's Food Mart
1961	council to purchase cast aluminum street identification signs
1961	new 8 lane bowling alley - adjacent to Old Susannah - owners Bill Weber & Dr. DH Johnston
1961	Clock in City Hall to be repaired
1961	Fairview Haven Home for the Aged - new building built on 3 1/2 acres - 7 blocks north of Post Office on Fourth St
1961	Gov. Otto Koerner visit to Fairbury - will address the Farmer-Rotary banquet @ the Lincoln school auditorium
1961	Spring - loss of topsoil due to heavy winds - oats are in dry ground temps - high 65 low 22

1961	IGA food market 4th & Maple Sts - Harvey Baer will operate the store - part of a $2,500,000 expansion in area - will include Pontiac
1961	Ernest Walters sold home on East Ash to Mrs. RB James
1961	Bill Weber & Dr DH Johnston owners new bowling alley, Old Susannah Lanes. 8 alleys.
1961	Clothing Store -mens & boys- operated by D Marvin Huette in Huette building across from Post office moving JC Ebach to the north portion of building
1961	JC Ebach will move to the office just north of where he is now still in Huette bld. A door is being cut in to the east side of building for entrance.
1961	special Indian Grove town meeting to consider purchase of lots 5 & 6 in Arcade block - w of Honegger's store for Indian Grove Road equipment. $850
1961	The Eide family purchased the Fairbury motel (on Rt 24) from Roy Melvin - Eide will be 24 hours answering point for fire calls
1961	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Variety Show
1962	ice storm - power cut off for 8 hours.
1962	Hicksatomic Stations dropped price 7 cents - now 26.9 cents
1962	highest daily electric consumption recorded Jan.9th 11,639,900 kilowatt hours
1962	Fairbury gas war - dropping price nickel a gallon to 28.9 cents - Moser Mobil, Albee Mobil, Bob's Cities Services, Hallock's Standard, Wards Texaco
1962	Fairbury Rotary Club - annual Farmer-Rotary banquet - Sen. Everett Dirksen will give the address
1962	Country Cousins - 1st place winners Radio Station WIZZ from Del Monte Gardens, Streator
1962	Helen Lewis Smith will bequests to Mausoleum, Presbyterian Church & hospital plus others
1962	Lions club will construct picnic shelter for Marsh Park. The 22 x 48 shelter will cost $450 to $550
1962	Neale Hanley announced he will run for Livingston County Judge
1962	Fairbury retail stores will remain open Friday nights instead of Saturday nights.
1962	construction of 75,000 square foot factory - Fairbury Industries Inc.
1962	new merry-go-round & teeter-totter installed at March park
1962	TP&W announces new station in Fairbury.
1962	Rueben Huber bought a men's clothing store at corner of 4th & Locust from Marv Huette.
1962	Ziegenhorn & sons, John Deere dealers since 1940 construction of 80 X 92 foot steel building just north of Route24 - land purchased from Jay Carter
1962	General Telephone Company announced the construction on the new dial equipment building.
1962	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Variety Show
1963	Work is progressing on the new Fairbury Grade School -contactor J. A. Kemmler & Co of Chicago
1963	Fairbury's 113 retail firms paid a total tax of $240,819
1963	Old depot & freight house directly south of Central Park standing since 1880's will be torn down. Agents have occupied old freight house since 1931
1963	voting on issuing $400,000 for new elementary school for Fairbury - approved
1963	Jim Wharton & Ben Metz open business at 212 E Locust (also known as Parmele building) washer/dryers/refrigerators/TV
1963	Kramer Publishing company announces the sale of the Fairbury Blade &Forrest News. James Roberts is the purchaser.
1963	Fby Hospital has contracted for the purchase of NJ Claudon lots located along 6rh Street South of Chestnut (for nursing home or hospital expansion)
1963	Neale Hanley, Henry W Phillips and Harvey S. Traub announce that they have formed a partnership for the general practice of law
1963	Working on Fairbury's impending dial telephone system. Telephone numbers to be assigned.
1963	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Variety Show
1964	dial phones - 692 will apply to Fairbury numbers
1964	Merlin & Eileen Harris purchased Indian Trail Motel (on Rt 24) -plans to remodel the 15-unit motel - Purchased from Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Eide

1964	Dave Steffen of Dave's Supermarket installed 4 new check out lanes - expanding from 3 to 4 lanes.
1964	Oscar Hannie, Chief of Fairbury Fire Department retired after 21 years.
1964	Ground broke for Apostolic Christian Church of Fairbury
1964	Final approval given for the new Helen Lewis Smith Memorial Pavilion - $400,000 wing will add 23 beds to hospital- bequest from Helen Lewis Smith
1964	Vince's Café located at Fourth & Locust
1964	winds clocked at 70 miles per hours - blasted west gable wall of Isaac Walton school dumping tons of bricks into ceiling of 3rd grade class
1964	new bridge over Indian Creek on South First Street cost - $52,000
1964	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Myron Floren
1965	South side School razed
1965	Hoffman Tool & Die Works opened by Ralph Hoffman across from Ziegenhorn & sons
1965	new business Linda's Pizza Pan - operated by Kenny & Linda Fehr - corner 5th & Locust.
1965	Chet McKinley sold his D-X gas station corner of 4th & Locust to Harold Butler.
1965	John Tredennick assumed management of K & S Sales (franchise for Mercury & Comet Automobiles & International Harvester Trucks
1965	Mayor Roy Taylor appointed Maurice Johnson as new chief of police - replaces Alton Russell
1965	1208 students in Fairbury-Cropsey schools
1965	Glen Davis will manage Old Susannah Lanes. Bill Weber & Dr. D H Johnston proprietors
1965	$1million in assets acquired by Fairbury hospital from estate of John Wesley Walnut Jr who died 1963
1965	Old bell fell at Isaac Walton school. 1200 pounds of iron dropped 42 feet- inscribed "Buckeye Bell Foundry - 1912" school built 1895 as high school
1965	McDonald's Restaurant & Hicksatomic station grand opening.
1965	A new coin-operated laundry going up at the corner of 1st & Locust Streets - owners M&M Lloyd Aberle
1966	Bob Nussbaum purchases building adjoining his plumbing business (formerly occupied by Betz Buffet.
1966	Establishment of around-the-clock police duty in Fairbury
1966	To beautify the business district, large or small planters can be purchased from Assoc of Comm.
1966	National Bank Auto Bank opened
1966	Edison School demolished
1966	Harvey Day unexpired term filled by appointment of Everett Sutter
1966	Photographers Dudley D Fultz featured in Jan issue of Professional Photographer mag.
1966	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Variety Show
1967	Loy's Variety Store (dime store) on main street last 18 years owned by WP Loy, Gibson City purchased by Mowery
1967	Mr. & Mrs. Dick Mowery purchased Loy's - name changed to Mowery's Variety Store
1967	Discuss merger between Fairbury-Cropsey Community Unit 3 & Forrest-Strawn Wing Unit 2
1967	First annual meeting of Fairbury United Community Fund
1967	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Variety Show
1968	Burglar got $72 at Grey Goose owned by Royce Carter
1968	Gertrude Henderson celebrates 90th BD. Live with daughter Dorothy at 207 W Maple, lived in neighborhood for years
1968	Gertrude Henderson father John W McDowell built house next door to 207 W Maple
1968	house next to 207 W Maple was razed for home now occupied by Dr & Mrs. JK Prather corner of 2nd & Maple.

1968	postage for All Easter greeting cards 1 oz or lighter is 6 cents
1968	Dr HC Sauer, 82 years old, a partner in Fairbury-Forrest Clinic honored upon completing 50 years of medical practice
1968	Remodeling of Indian Creek Golf & Country club underway - clearing additional fairway area south of sandpit lake
1968	fallen tree which severed power lines - caused considerable damage to Knoll Lodge -
1968	cold wave drove off sweltering heat of humidity - help fair attendance
1968	$50,000 renovation project at Indian Creek Golf & Country club started with 70 men donating labor
1968	Weber to build apartment @ 3rd & Oak where the Powell mansion stood
1968	Spence bridge in Belle Prairie township collapsed when bulk milk truck crossed it, bridge condemned in spring
1968	The Pink Poodle proudly announces Joyce Barnes has returned to their staff
1968	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Frank Sinatra, Jr
1969	Fairbury City Council decided to have George Farnsworth draw up plans for a new Fairbury firehouse
1969	abandoned house at NW corner of 7th & Maple was demolished
1969	Nebraska namesake of Fairbury will observe its Centennial
1969	new terrazzo floor for the Mausoleum at Graceland Cemetery
1969	Harassment of school board members over merger proposal of Forrest Strawn Wing & Fairbury-Cropsey.
1969	James Paternoster purchased former Bob Ziegenhorn home at 109 E Ash
1969	Fairbury Police Dept has 4 full time. Maurice Cox as chief & Curt VanNote, Harry Zehr & Tom Bray as officers
1969	fire trucks moved into new Fairbury Fire Station
1969	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Brothers & Sisters
1970	Census 3359
1970	1970's Opera House on Locust St burned
1970	Petitions asking election on proposed merger of Fairbury Cropsey & Forrest Strawn Wing school districts
1970	In just 10 years the number of telephones increased 1100 up to 2649
1970	members of American Federation of Grain Millers Local 302 strike against Honeggers & Co Inc
1970	Ben Franklin store celebrates first complete remodeling in 10 years with grand opening.
1970	George Weber bought IGA store from Harv Baer who opened it in 1961-62 time frame
1970	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Don Rice
1971	1971 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow award winner is Debra S Perkins.
1971	end of an era - the counter check - is in sight at the National Bank of Fairbury
1971	Stoller & Maurer plus Weber Plumbing low bidders for the $1,007,000 bond issues approved by voters
1971	pouring new sidewalks on the N side of Locust between 3rd & 4th - business in next line.
1971	business include National Bank of Fairbury, Langstaff Clinic, Fairbury Paint Store, Mowery Variety & Bricker Drug Stores
1971	The Attic, a Fairbury Hospital Auxiliary re-sale shop moving from above Fashion Shop to vacant Fosdick Produce
1971	Council purchases 1971 Elgin-Pelican street sweeper for $15,000 - It will be kept for over 20 years
1971	The Terry Thorton Memorial Fund - available for use - in honor of the Fairbury/Cropsey HS grad who lost his life in Vietnam
1971	Anthony Menke, 28, hired as new principal of Westview Grade School. He is from Effingham. He will replace Mrs. Harriett Meenen.
1971	December - 7.46 inches of rainfall -

1971	Removal historic awnings fronting business bldgs on North side of Locust between 3rd & 4th - 1st step to rebuilding sidewalk & curb $90,000 project
1971	Subterranean passageways are sealed off during sidewalk & curb project - shops were in the basement levels -
1971	The basement shops had normal storefronts with plate glass windows. The passageways stairways which descended from the sidewalk
1971	"Honegger's" will be using the name "Big H Companies"
1971	ground broke for new building to house Dr. Joseph Lauraitis & Dr. Alex Peros (Chiropractic clinic) Oak & 9th, just east of Willard Bess Inc Agency
1971	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Porter Wagner & Dollie Parton
1972	100 car shipment of corn totaling 350,000 bushels
1972	vacant property 2 blocks west of Marsh park sold by Duane Kafer to JC Ebach & Leland Roth - 18 lots 9 each block. For $20,000 homes
1972	Final program at the Isaac Walton School site - Theme "Goodbye Isaac Walton, Goodbye" Built in 1895 - also used as high school
1972	Fairbury United Methodist church bested 2 other bidders to buy 77 year old Isaac Walton school for $40,000
1972	SELCAS campaign to establish the ambulance district
1972	Thomas Glennon purchase flower shop on S 7th St from Harvey & Margaret Copes.
1972	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Bill Anderson & Jan Howard
1973	Fairbury's City clerk LB Bud Decker who will be 88 next BD announced he would not run for re-election. A position held for 40 years
1973	Sale of Cook Funeral home of Fairbury to Gilbert Pils & his son-in-law Roger Duffy
1973	Dr. Norbert A Kokotek - associated with Fairbury Medical Associates along with Dr. Nik Kothari & Dr TF Mauger
1973	Rieger, Inc, a coil manufacturing firm purchase 2 acre tract for new building
1973	Stoller & Maurer low bidder for coronary intensive care unit at Fairbury hospital, $344,000
1973	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Sonny James
1974	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Atteberry purchased the Ben Franklin department store from Robert McGillen
1974	Jim Goold purchased a 40 acre plat of farmland from Harry Wagenseller estate - $1700 an acre - sold at auction staged at Fairbury City Hall
1974	Isaac Walton school - originated as high school in 1895 - retired in1972 demolished
1974	Mrs. Clifford (Gertrud) Stephens sold her interest in Bell, Book & Candle to her partner, Mrs. Jim (Joan) Steidinger(daughter) started in 1968
1974	Wendell & Mary Ellen Nylander purchase Mr. G Glower & Gift Shop on S 7th St from Thomas Glennon.
1974	Concrete sail boat under construction in Fairbury by Gerhard Heppner a mason. 41 foot boat
1974	a century of Fairbury history went up in smoke as "old Opera House" aka Eddy's Hall & Loyola Theater burned.
1974	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Bill Anderson
1975	municipal bond issue approved $425,000 sewer treatment plant
1975	The buildings at the corner of Second & Walnut Street formerly housing Record Advertising & Record Printing purchased by Attorney Henry Phillips
1975	Dorothy Steffen incorporates Steffen Garment Company at 403 S Webster from site of Hummel's Grocery-buying building from Dominick Giancarlis
1975	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Del Reeves & Grandjsle Jones
1975	Dave's in business employees 42 persons.
1975	Dairy Queen franchise to be located southeast corner of Oak & Clay, formerly known as Mattioli porperty.
1975	fomer Standard Oil station sold by Mr. & Mrs. JT Mapel to Randall Kiper & Maurice Steidinger. Kiper
1975	work on the Seventh Street bridge done by Burnell Watson Construction of Chatsworth - road closed in Sept 1974 still closed in April 1975
1975	Farmers' Grain purchased property at northwest corner of 6th & Walnut which long housed the Huette Cabinet Co. (Prairie Industries)
1975	Roy Boles (Roy's Tavern) closed tavern after 31 years-located 202 W Locust for 26 years & in middle of 100 W Locust block 5 1/2 with Virgil Head

1975	plans to build new plant announced by CTS Knights Inc. will manufacture quartz crystals
1976	$1.2 million sewage treatment plant expansion project
1976	House (to be museum) next to Dominy Library purchased as gift from Marion Stafford
1976	Loretta Lynn performance at fair
1976	Addis Auto Parts now located at First & Walnut
1976	K&S Motor Sales building burned
1976	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Loretta Lynn
1977	K&S Motor Sales built after fire is done
1977	extreme weather - freezing to frying to flooding or cold & blizzard - hot & dry then 7.85" rain one August weekend
1977	Phillis Lumber Yard burnt - $150,000 lost - owner Steve Phillis of Gridley
1977	Building occupied for decades by White Horse Tap has been incorporated into Nussbaum Plumbing & Heating
1977	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Conway Twitty
1978	Good Friday ice storm
1978	1.14 inches of rain in an hours, downed several big trees
1978	Jeannie c Riley performance at fair
1978	It was 109 degrees Sept. 13
1978	Claudon mansion, the house Fairbury hospital couldn't give away was demolished
1978	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Jeannie Riley
1979	TP&W 10 freight car derailed by Daves - train wreck
1979	New Grey Goose opened, operated by Maurice Sutter family
1979	Blizzard on New years 14"
1979	100 car train of corn, 4th of the season, left Honeggers & Co. Each car holds 3,500 bushels- shipment 1/3 of million
1979	eclipse - next major eclipse will not be until 2017
1979	Another 700,000 bushels of corn left Fairbury area
1979	~ March - Funeral for Alma Lewis-James 79 published at least 5 books and authored weekly column in Fairbury Blade
1979	after 33 years as a Fairbury businessman, Sigmund Sikorski turned ownership of Gambels to Willis Nussbaums
1979	Ron Hanley home being built in Carter addition.
1979	10 cars of TP&W through freight train derailed in the heart of the business district
1979	Grey Goose to close
1979	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Crash Craddock
1980	Census 3544
1980	Construction of Fairbury Federal on North 3rd St.
1980	Prairie Land Foundation founded with gift from Marion Stafford.
1980	Leroy McPherson, operator at Fairbury sewage plant attending Parkland
1980	Fairbury clothier Reuben Huber expanding store for 5th time. Adding 1500 sq feet in basement of west building
1980	After almost century as established business, Kaisner's Greenhouse & Floral Shop on N. 1st St will close
1980	Burglars took safe from Paternoster Motor Co. - only contained papers.

1980	6.2 mile run - 63 year old Otis Munz ran all 6.2 miles in work clothes & boots to prove fancy running gear not needed
1980	Tornado goes through by Ed Meister farmstead (north of town)
1980	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Barbara Mandrell
1981	Mayor Roy Taylor retires after 36 years. Jim Steidinger, Elmer Meints & WJ Bill Allison to run for mayor
1981	Bob Collins of WGN radio declared his show "International Fairbury Night" as he hosted Dlorah Zehr, winner of contest
1981	M&M Don Janney purchased Oh Susannah Lanes & Restaurant - Partner Sam Pica - to be known as Westgate Supper Club
1981	6 inches of snow coupled with gusting winds shut down central Illinois for 2 days.
1981	8 days of fierce wind have ravaged central Illinois - damaged buildings & uprooted trees
1981	Dean Broquard bought old Fairbury Federal Savings & Loan at public auction - will move Keck's Agency ins to corner of 3rd & Maple
1981	James E Steidinger to take off ice of Mayor - Mayor Roy Taylor ended a historic career of continuously holding office for 45 years
1981	Westgate Supper Club, Rt 24 west, opened under Ownership of Don Janney & Sam Pica
1981	WGN radio star Bob Collins spent day in Fairbury "Uncle Bobby" many activities including pig roast
1981	Century-old brick mansion on East Hickory aka "James House" purchased by John Tollensdorf from estate of Alma Lewis-James
1981	Reconstruction of historic Mowery Bridge - cost $295,000
1981	State of Illinois EPA issued Duane L Ifft a Class C Certificate of Competency as public water supply operator. He will work toward Class A
1981	Open house for Fairbury Federal Savings & Loan - corners 3rd & Maple - South East corner
1981	Keck's Agency,88 year old Fby insurance firs has been in the Keck bldg for years. Moving to southwest corner 3rd & Maple vacated by Fby Federal
1981	Keck's have been in the bld which bore their name on Locust St for more than 60 years after Charles Keck, moved office from Walton's Dept store
1981	After 30 years, Bob Wharton discontinuing Standard Oil tankwagon business.
1981	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Tom T. Hall
1982	replacement pool to be built with funds from Staffords
1982	Louise Mandrell & husband RC Bannon grandstand show at fair
1982	Jan - furious blizzard -20 degrees - 65 wind chill
1982	Dr Lee Garber published his 60th book
1982	pool to be replaced originally built 1957-58
1982	flooding in area - Fairbury spared
1982	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Louis Mandrell
1983	Walton's Dept Store major revamping - new design centers on Y shaped aisle from both front doors to rear of store
1983	Keith Klitzing named Fire Chief. Chief Wayne Moser resigned.
1983	Construction of Stafford Community Center - new "L" shaped pool
1983	Jake Ulfer's 104th birthday - son of Rudolph & Sophie Ulfers - lived on Ash street
1983	Movie "Grandview USA" filmed in Fairbury school & homes were used in film
1983	Debold Householder who turned 100 in March attended the Fairbury Fair. He has attended all fairs.
1983	TP&W which fathered Fairbury 125 years ago, will be absorbed by parent organization Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad
1983	Notice has been given the section men on the TP&W that their pay has been cut from $1.25 a day to $1.10 a day.
1983	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Box Car Willie
1984	Stafford Swimming pool and Fieldhouse built

1984	George Weber closed his IGA store
1984	Service Award Association of Commerce annual meeting - John Gerber, National bank of Fairbury 54 years
1984	Service Award Association of Commerce annual meeting - James Steidinger, on behalf of Steidinger Tires, opened 1926
1984	Service Award Association of Commerce annual meeting - Bill Freed for two decades of promoting the Christmas Spirit
1984	Service Award Association of Commerce annual meeting - Bob Nussbaum for 43 years at Nussbaum Plumbing & Heating, opened 1920
1984	Service Award Association of Commerce annual meeting - John Ziegenhorn on behalf of Ziegenhorn & Sons farm implement, opened 1940
1984	Barth's V&S Variety store going-out-of-business. John Bellot to expand his drug store.
1984	Futura Fashions located 127 W Locust for 4 yrs moves to corner Locust & 3rd (was occupied by Fashion Shop-owners Donna Bess & Mary Moser)
1984	Hanley, Traub & Hanley association ended after 53 years in same office on 2nd floor of Keck building, Traub to continue in the Keck building.
1984	Hanley's to move to Record Advertising building 109 W Walnut.
1984	Robert Bullard & attorney's Gordon Kinate & Randall Morgan are principals in electronic manufacturing firm US CoTronics Inc
1984	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Atlanta
1985	Prairie Central CUSD #8 was formed - combined Fairbury-Cropsey, Chatsworth, Forrest-Strawn-Wing
1985	Jim & Barbara Story new owners of Nylander's Flower shop & Gifts purchased from Wendell & Mary Ellen Nylander
1985	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Dave & Sugar
1986	Between 6 & 8 1/2" of rain in 15 hours
1986	City Hall & parks rent raised 300% by the owners - the railroad
1986	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment The Kendall's & the Hart's
1987	Drought
1987	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Atlanta
1988	Dr Phillip Bane & Dr. Danielle Jackson purchased the Beach House from Mr. & Mrs. Jack Tollensdorf
1988	National Bank of Fairbury demolished the drive-up located in the alley off Third Street.
1988	17 days of 100 degrees or more recorded during the drought of 1988
1988	lighting struck bell tower of Fairbury's United Methodist Church, bricks & mortar scattered half block
1988	1" snow early November
1988	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Britt Small & Fest
1989	19.77 inches of rainfall recorded during the year, half of a normal amount.
1989	Honeggers & Co Inc closed June 30, 1989 after 60 years. Established in 1928 by Sam & Frank Honegger
1989	60 degrees - first of Feb - Jan the warmest on record
1989	Fire Protection district on ballot for rural residents
1989	Basketball team goes to Assembly Hall at University of Illinois - 3rd place
1989	construction of new Super Wash high capacity car wash at US 24 & Webster
1989	recycling program to be started in Fairbury
1989	Tom Doran closed his Shell station on US 24 & Moser's Mobil dropped tankwagons sales because of EPA regulations
1989	City Water works Dept. Leroy McPherson asked for voluntary restriction of water use.
1989	Greg Broquard presented to fire dept a map of all fire hydrants & locations a Boy Scout project
1989	Building permits were $3

1989	Bills were not longer read at the council meeting. A list was provided.
1989	Last handwritten minutes. They are now typed and not read at council meetings
1989	Purchased Honegger property on W Walnut St for $25,000 to be new street shed
1989	Ken Green appointed as alderman
1989	Recycling starting this year, only drop off at street department
1989	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Jerry Reed
1990	Census 3643
1990	Craig Sutter presented a study of ozone depletion, he was member of 5 man team study over Antarctica. Presented at church
1990	Sidewalk project to swimming pool
1990	Starting tree replacement program, Fairbury has lost many trees
1990	Flood Map provided by FEMA
1990	Cannons in Central Park are disintegrating
1990	Ken Green resigned as alderman
1990	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Cissie Lynn
1991	Prairie Lands Foundation & Westview planning & developing long term care of prairie plot north of school - Donated by Don & Wilma Haerr
1991	folklore floating around names of several towns by Indians & broken English - fair ferry(ies) Fairbury - for rest Forrest - saw no men Saunemin
1991	fair berries
1991	Cornbelt Press moving office to 125 W Locust St - Production will remain at 101 W Locust St.
1991	Cornbelt Press publishes The Blade, The Record and the Onarga Leader - Review
1991	Roy Taylor, former mayor passed away - alderman 1941-45. Mayor 1945-1981
1991	Earl H Voight, O.D. transition of optometry practice to Shawn Coady O.D. & Robin Coady O.d>
1991	Golden Cup,108 W Locust, formerly Grey Goose opened. Owners Sue & Benny Zendeli.
1991	Moser & son, Mobile gas station, where 2 generations Si, Dean & Gary Moser have worked - located 3rd & Walnut will close
1991	Charlie's Mini mart located on East Rte. 24
1991	Street shed located on First Street by the water tower removed
1991	Minutes & Ordinances microfilmed and stored in Springfield Archives. From 1864 to 1990
1991	Old street shed to be demolished located on North First Street - beside the tower (also known as Livingston Square Park)
1991	Opperman Construction awarded bid for demolition of old street shed for $9,350
1991	John Bushman inspects houses for occupancy permits
1991	Proposal from Hohulin Bros. Fenc to Fairbury Fair Association to install a fence between property.
1991	Sheriff Don Wall Coordinator of Livingston County ESDA spoke on forming an ESDA program in Fairbury
1991	city now accepting oil to be recycled at the street shed - for residents only
1991	Aldermen elected in 1991- Ira D Kilgus, Robert Wallt, Charles Roper, David Wenger
1991	JR Electric to bury a power line at water plant
1991	Water & Sewer plant painted this year by Louis Painting & Decorating $38,000
1991	Computer Accounting, Payroll & Utility Billing purchased from Tremont Systems for $2900
1991	General, Motor Fuel, Water & Sewer checking accounts to be closed. A combined fund to be opened - only one check style needed.
1991	City moved city sewer at Pine & Seventh Streets - $20,000

1991	purchase of desk & new counter top for City Hall from Nuform Counter Top
1991	Route 24 Project was award to EJ Eppel - by state
1991	City received the DCCA grant for $313,000 to drill a new well
1991	The parking lot agreement with Fairbury Federal Savings & Loan expires
1991	John Tollensdorf works on placing City Hall on National Register of Historic Places
1991	Fairbury Fair American Legion wins Hometown Award
1991	A-1 Tuckpointing City Hall - $8075
1991	John Gaston Resigned as alderman
1991	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Mike Snider Show
1992	Indian Trails motel closing selling to McDonald Corp. Fairbury Deer to be replaced by Golden Arches
1992	Jan 14 blizzard - 50 miles per hour winds - power outage 2 to 7 hours. - 4 inches of snow.
1992	Fairbury Post 9789 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars moved to 217 E Locust St - formerly housed Ace Hardware
1992	Fairbury church of Christ moved from 5th & Walnut to 2nd & Maple (formerly Free Methodist)
1992	Kenny Headley sold the Pizza Palace on East Locust St. to Pizzas by Marchelloni, Managed by John Strong
1992	Fairbury looking for new well site at the fairgrounds
1992	Art Fosdick Poultry, 226 E Locust St closed. Ernest Fosdick opened chicken hatchery at 125 W Locust St.
1992	Mike Frickey newest member of Fairbury Police Department
1992	Zimmerman's True Value Hardware store - family owned over 50 years will hand over to Robert & Phyllis Hammer
1992	Huber's Clothing to close - opened 1962
1992	The deer with the bib, a landmark at Indian Trail Motel purchased by Carl Kieser of Gibson City - to be placed at finishing club.
1992	David Wenger resigned as alderman moved from his ward
1992	David Wenger appointed as alderman replacing John Gaston
1992	David Wenger resigned as alderman
1992	Timber Ridge Street Project - $53,200
1992	60,000 pounds of recycled glass was shipped
1992	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Bill Anderson - Comdeian
1993	Clifford Ziegenhorn says the liquidation sale of John Deere dealership - it's a family owned business for over 50 years
1993	Pin Breaker, Inc of Lockport will produce state-of-the-art bowling balls - 300 Calhoun St, formerly housed Rieger coil Co.
1993	McDonald's fast food restaurant on the west edge of town dedicated by Sec of State George Ryan. Local owner Stan "Stash" Drassler
1993	Lydia Nussbaum's 100th birthday. 7th child of Conrad & Katherina Munz
1993	horse mannequin used to display harnesses in a Fairbury shop for over a decade, restored by Howard Fugate & Richard Walter
1993	Gay Thomas celebrates 100 years
1993	Walton's marks 125th Anniversary - opened by Isaac Walton in 1868
1993	McDonalds- the golden archs to come to town - it didn't stay very long
1993	Pin Breaker, bowling ball business borrowing $100,000 from CDAP money
1993	Bank to donate gazebo for Central Park
1993	Robert Wall resigned as alderman

1993	Wiles, clothing store borrowing $10,000 from CDAP money
1993	borrowing funds $564,000 from Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund
1993	Robert Sikorski appointed alderman Ward 2
1993	IOOF Haunted House
1993	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Sweetheart of the Rodeo
1994	911 services to be offered to area by 1995
1994	former Moser & Son Downtown Mobil Standard station at 119 S 3rd St was demolished. Station was purchased by Dave's supermarket
1994	Ed Hohulin honored for 42 years as volunteer fireman
1994	National Bank of Fairbury to be known as Bluestem National Bank
1994	Mike & Cathi Coppinger are new owners of Fairbury Glass & Windows - former owners Kathy Weber and late husband Terry
1994	Motion to vacate a portion of 3rd St to allow Dave's Supermarket to expand over the sidewalk area
1994	Tuckpointing old City Hall
1994	Daves plan to tear down gas station on corner 3rd & Walnut
1994	Purchased Honegger property Locust & 2nd to be New City Hall
1994	Horine building (4th building from Fourth Street on Locust St) being demolished. (Webers rebuild)
1994	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Bay Howdy Show
1995	Curbside recycling offered.
1995	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Rhett Atkins
1995	Old Honegger building brought down by Indian Creek Materials. Honegger's closed June 30, 1989.
1995	Chautauqua Literary & Scientific Circle will celebrate it's 100th year anniversary.
1995	Fairbury Federal Savings & Loan of Fairbury and Citizens Savings Bank of Normal merged - Fairbury Federal founded 1887 has 26 employees
1995	Decorative street lamps & trees new on Locust Street business district
1995	Chuck Roper resigned as alderman
1995	Water Deposits from $40 to $80
1995	Last payment of the 1958 bonds paid.
1995	James Steidinger resigned as alderman
1995	Downtown Redevelopment Comm begins process for trees and decorative street lights on Locust St
1995	Accepted bid to demolish Honegger property Locust & 2nd to be New City Hall
1995	Leroy E McPherson contract
1995	David Winterland appointed as alderman Ward 2
1995	Honegger building is demolished the taller portion
1995	Joined IML CDL Testing Program
1995	Parc Committee to place park at corner of 1st & Locust
1995	Resolution authorizing Fairbury City Hall to be placed on National Register of Historic Places
1995	Join IMRF starting Jan 1, 1996
1995	Join PEBSCO Deferred Compensation
1995	Dave's asked council to consider moving 3rd St 56" to the east

1995	Walton's of Fairbury going out of business
1995	Edwards Soil Service in business for more than half a century sold to Crop Production Services.
1996	Fairbury City Hall listed on National Registry
1996	Motion to proceed with City Hall building design developed by Mills/ Sweeney
1996	Honegger building the lower portion also demolished
1996	Old City Hall on National Historic Register
1996	Parc Committee named park at corner of 1st & Locust - Livingston Square
1996	E911 to be working soon, all of Fairbury has addresses
1996	Accept bid from Eppels for Dave's & 3rd Street Project
1996	City Hall construction bid accepted from McCoy Construction for $548,700
1996	$500,000 Locust St resurfacing project & sewer work awarded to Epple & Trico
1996	1956 Ford Fire Truck sold to Mark Lawrence for $525
1996	East Haven Condominium Association to build behind Fairview Haven
1996	Bruce Weber's house on Circle Dr to be moved to 10th St
1996	City Hall Dedication Ceremony in honor of being placed on National Register of Historic Places
1996	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Ty Herndon
1997	Dedication of New City Hall at 201 W Locust.
1997	Fairbury received Home Town Award Governor's Cup "Excellence through Volunteers" for downtown facelift
1997	New City Hall dedication set for April 26, 1997
1997	Building fees range from $15 to $50 - increasing from $3
1997	Adopt Resolution of appointment of City Clerk effective Jan 1, 2001
1997	Purchased land for North Park from Fehr & Wing for 225,000 to be part of $400,000 grant program
1997	First Place Hometown Award & Governor's Hometown Cup was presented by Downtown Comm
1997	Working with Bluestem - where to place the gazebo
1997	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Trace Adkins
1998	Marion Stafford passed away.
1998	Emergency sirens installed at Fairgrounds, 2nd & Cherry and Prairie Lane & Timber Ridge
1998	Dennis Janssen's Amoco sold to Trimble Oil Co of Roberts. Janssen's Tire & Auto Service opened @ 111 N 8th
1998	Adding handicap ramp to gazebo
1998	Water Tower Grant $300,000 plus $470,000 loan for 500,000 gallon tank
1998	Ordinance changing Clerk & Treasurer to appointed positions.
1998	Alderman Dave Mowery no longer lives in his ward
1998	Greg Hish appointed Ward 4
1998	North Park grant $200,000 to finish North Park
1998	Bill Phillips, physical therapy borrowing $40,000 from CDAP money
1998	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment James Bonomy
1999	record snow fall - Jan 1 - 2 guessing 15- 17 watch in the blade

1999	Randy Davis appeared before city council to urge changes in animal control ordinance
1999	HJ Eppel widens Route 24 at First Street to prepare for turn lanes & stop signals.
1999	Tim Shafer resigned as alderman 1
1999	CB&I (Chicago Bridge & Iron Company) putting up water tower
1999	Robert Winterland appointed as alderman 1
1999	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Gary Allan
2000	Census 3968
2000	Gingie McWhorter and Laurie Baker owners of new business Ruby Mae's Attic
2000	$230,000 grant from Marion McDowell Stafford Charitable Trust for the trail
2000	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Ricochet
2001	Ruth Teubel & Anna McKeon opened Heartland Business Services - purchased from Advanced Tech Systems
2001	Pizzas by Marchelloni business moved from East Locust St to Route 24 West
2001	Grandma's opening in building vacated by Pizzas by Marchelloni - owners Helen & Edna Steidinger
2001	new owners of Walton building - Richard & Dawn Huber - Huber's Necessity, Gifts & More
2001	Fugate family gift land to Prairie Lands Foundation
2001	Once 'n Again- upscale resale-consignment shop opens.
2001	Judy Engelbrecht, day care center borrowing $140,000 from CDAP money
2001	Brenda DeFries appointed as City Clerk
2001	Rod Stevens appointed as Treasurer
2001	John Strong, Pizza - borrowing $15,000 from CDAP money
2001	leaf burning ban - burning allowed Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
2001	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Patty Jo Timmons & Darryl Worley
2002	Law firm Weeks & Brucker, LTD moved to new location 606 W Oak Street
2002	January weather almost 60 for a few days
2002	PTC Alliance will receive a $500,000 grant from DCCA to extend Water & Sewer to the plant
2002	SELCAS received $88,000 from Stafford Charitable Trust to purchase a new ambulance.
2002	Fairbury Water Department received award from Illinois Department of Public Health - for 10 consecutive years of compliance of Ill. Fluoridation Act
2002	The Barber Shop - Terry Sanders moved his business from 109 N 4th St to 109 W Maple - he was at the 4th Street address for 29 years.
2002	petitions for annexation of Chenoa to Prairie Central were signed.
2002	Approved Intergovernmental Agreement with Liv. Co. concerning Groundwater Protection Ordinance
2002	Mark Meyer, Wells Oak Furniture borrowing $15,000 from CDAP money
2002	Bluestem National Bank donated $3500 to purchase dog for K-9 project - Gunnar purchased
2002	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Jeff Carson
2003	Bill Schmidgall will be installed as postmaster of Fairbury Post Office
2003	Officer Gunnar new canine officer
2003	Don's Furniture opens - 200 Crystal Lane, in former CTS building.
2003	Mark Hartman opened All American Wash on Route 24 East.

2003	Joseph Thompson hired as patrolman
2003	David Winterland resigned as alderman Ward 2
2003	Daton Kupferschmid appointed as alderman Ward 2
2003	Established leaf drop off place
2003	sold 1948 Allis Chalmers "G" for $1929
2003	Terminate office for failure to comply with residency requirements
2003	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment The Britles & Four Sisters & a Cousin
2004	Echoes Museum building - next to library - demolished
2004	Norman Rittenhouse presented plans for Walton Centre in old Walton building
2004	Nussbaum Ace Hardware adding 2,000 square foot addition
2004	Fairbury Appliance owners Jim & Elizabeth Wharton closed the door after serving customers 41 years.
2004	Gail Huling resigned as office clerk
2004	Teresa Bachtold hired as office clerk
2004	Jacob Krippel as patrol man
2004	$30,000 CDAP Revolving Loan for Super Pizza Sales
2004	William Peterson as Zoning Administrator
2004	Officer Joe Thompson resigned.
2004	The Fairbury Rural Fire Department donated $15,000 towards Thermal Fire FLIR camera
2004	1500 grant was received from the Illinois Rural Health Association a reconditioned defibrillator
2004	Resolution for Chad Welborn - fireman killed in auto accident - coming home from his work
2004	hired David Fritts as patrolman
2004	Lincolnland Coatings, Inc painting water plant - $29,845
2004	Well #7 rehab by Layne Western for $11,500
2004	Purchase 2004 fire truck tanker from Pierce for $183,967 paid by interest free loan for St loan program
2004	Fairbury Rural Fire to pay $4000 towards loan of truck
2004	School to add kitchen, asks if city is interested in community center to be included - (city NO)
2004	Fire station to be used only by fire department - no longer a community room
2004	New boiler in Old City Hall for $6300
2004	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Rodeo
2005	Rotary Club & Fairbury Association of commerce, along with private donations are going to get the old city hall clock repaired ($10000)
2005	to Upgrade stop light with LED bulbs with grant
2005	new phone system at City Hall $5473
2005	aldermen & mayor installed William Peterson now council - no longer zoning administrator
2005	Mike & Kathy Thyne appointed as ESDA Directors
2005	vote to allow attorney to negotiate on our behalf concerning cleanup of Ocoya Sanitary Landfill
2005	Warren Zehr appointed Zoning Administrator
2005	3 laptop computers for squad cars $19500 - grant from ILEAS Homeland Security - $19200

2005	Fire Department Grant - $74,775, from Federal Emergency Management Agency
2005	air pack $78,735 - grant from FEMA for $74,775 to purchase air packs for the Fire Department
2005	2 imaging cameras $16,250 - grant from DCEO for $15,000 for the Fire Department
2005	Prairie Lands Foundation presented the deed to the North Park Pavilion. They donated the land & building
2005	sell the safe in old City Hall to Dale Wessel for $1 and the buyer be held responsible for any damage
2005	alley snowplowing - do no more snowplowing than we are doing now
2005	to purchase a security system for City Hall from Advanced Communications for $6386.91
2005	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Captain Rat & The Blind Rivets
2006	Central Park Veteran's Memorial being created in Central Park
2006	Water & Sewer project on West Route 24 - Hundman Lumber
2006	Patrolman Eric Hyatt's resignation
2006	Promotion of Sergeant Mike Frickey to Lieutenant & Patrolman Robert McCormick to Sergeant
2006	hired Steven Waugh as patrolman
2006	approve Intergovernmental Agreement with Pro-Active Unit
2006	cleaned water tower
2006	Jane Friedman resigned
2006	hired Mike Foster as patrolman
2006	Mike & Kathy Thyne resigned as ESDA Directors
2006	Rural Fire Dept donates $10,000 for equipment
2006	hired Melissa Zimmerman as police office clerk
2006	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Captain Rat & The Blind Rivets
2007	Teresa Bachtold resigned as office clerk
2007	hire Susan Herr as office clerk
2007	David Fritts resigned as patrolman
2007	Reported death of Fire Chief Keith B Klitzing
2007	Assistant Fire Chief Leroy McPherson appointed Acting Fire Chief
2007	Sam Fitzpatrick hired as patrolman
2007	writing a grant for Feasibility study for motel/conference center project
2007	Patrolman Mike Foster's resignation
2007	Patrolman Steven Waugh resignation
2007	hired Michael Allsup as patrolman
2007	hired Evan Henkel as patrolman
2007	aldermen installed - Jon Kinate, Jack Sinnott, David Winterland, Greg Hish
2007	Otto Baum to tuck point old City Hall for $74,555
2007	Sesquicentennial -150 year - Celebration
2007	Jon Bachtold - ESDA Director
2007	Leroy McPherson appointed Fire Chief

2007	$75,000 CDAP Revolving Loan to Super Pizza Sales
2007	hired Jason Graves as patrolman
2007	John Tollensdorf donated Isaac Walton School Bell to be placed in Central Park
2007	hired Jody Gadberry as police records clerk
2007	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Truck & Tractor Pull
2008	Brian J Munz lost his life as firefighter battling a house fire in Forrest Illinois. He was 24. July 22, 2008.
2008	Jacob Krippel resigned as patrolman
2008	Glenn Bressner retired - dog catcher & water department employee
2008	Susan Herr resigned
2008	Nancy Widlacki hired as Office Clerk
2008	results of the Feasibility Study for the Motel given
2008	hired Patrick Beaber as patrolman
2008	2 new volleyball courts & rehab the old court
2008	Fairbury Fair Night Entertainment Kevin Adair - Hypnotist
2013	Club celebrates 100 years - Country domestic Science Club
2014	City Council voted to change the name of Central Park to Veteran's Memorial Park
2014	Brian J Munz Public Safety Complex was dedicated July 31, 2014.
2015	Last payment of the North Sewer Project - 20 year loan from EPA